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Beauty Bunny

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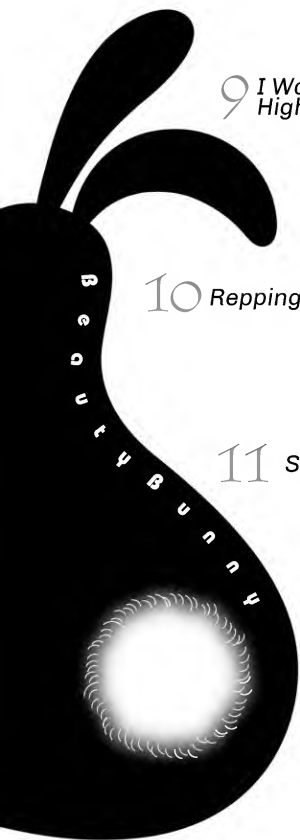
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Muri
Yoshino



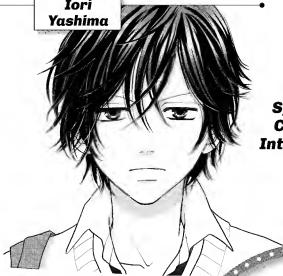
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**Iori
Yashima**



**Synopsis &
Character
Introductions**

**Kohane
Yuzuhara**



IORI IS KOHANE'S CLASSMATE. HIS FAMILY OWNS YASHIMA COSMETICS, AND HE'S A GENIUS MAKEUP ARTIST. GIRLS LOVE HIS GOOD LOOKS, BUT HE CAN BE SHARP-TONGUED AND SNOTTY. FOR SOME REASON, IT SEEMS LIKE KOHANE HAS CAUGHT HIS EYE!

KOHANE IS 17 YEARS OLD AND IS IN HER SECOND YEAR OF HIGH SCHOOL. SHE'S A RELIABLE GIRL WHO LIVES WITH HER MOTHER. SHE DIDN'T USED TO CARE ABOUT BEAUTY, BUT DUE TO IORI'S INFLUENCE, SHE MAY BE STARTING TO TAKE AN INTEREST IN LOOKING GOOD.

SEVENTEEN-YEAR-OLD KOHANE YUZUHARA DOESN'T WEAR MAKEUP AND ISN'T INTERESTED IN SKIN CARE. SHE GETS PISSED WHEN, ON HER FIRST DAY AT HER NEW SCHOOL IN TOKYO, ONE OF THE HOTTEST BOYS IN CLASS, IORI YASHIMA, CALLS HER UGLY. BUT IT TURNS OUT THAT IORI IS A MAKEUP GENIUS, AND WHEN KOHANE SEES HOW HE CAN MAKE HER APPEARANCE TRANSFORM, SHE STARTS TO TAKE AN INTEREST IN COSMETICS.

**Mika
Yuzuhara**



MIKA IS KOHANE'S MOM AND A HOSTESS IN THE GINZA DISTRICT OF CHUO, TOKYO. SHE'S A FREE SPIRIT WHO LIKES TO LOOK ON THE BRIGHT SIDE OF LIFE.

**Otohiko
Yuge**



OTOHIKO IS KOHANE'S CLASSMATE AND IORI'S BEST FRIEND. HE'S A KIND AND GENTLEMANLY HOTTIE, AND HE'S HELPING KOHANE WITH HER STUDIES.



Himiko

HIMIKO IS A POPULAR MODEL AND IORI'S TWIN SISTER (HER BROTHER WAS BORN FIRST). SHE'S BEEN IN A COMA FOR YEARS, THOUGH, SO IORI HAS BEEN STANDING IN FOR HER.





HEY,
KOHANE!



WHAT?

LOOK
AT
THIS!
♡

ISN'T
IT GOR-
GEOUS?
♡♡



HMM?

COME
HERE
FOR A
SECOND!



What's with that hair?

I THOUGHT IT WOULD GO GREAT WITH MY BELOVED CASHMERE COAT, SO I SPLURGED ON IT.

IT CAUGHT MY EYE YESTERDAY ON MY WAY TO WORK.

IT ISN'T HAIR, SILLY. IT'S FUR! ♡ A FOX FUR.



WHAT DO YOU THINK?

DOES IT LOOK GOOD ON ME?

MI-
Mika-chan...

Y-
YOU SPLURGED ON IT? HOW MUCH DID IT COST?!

*About \$800



LOOK! DON'T YOU THINK IT GOES GREAT WITH THIS COAT?

SIXTY THOUSAND ?!

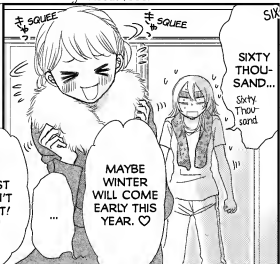
SIXTY THOUSAND YEN.*



OH, JEEZ...

RIGHT, KOHANE?

I JUST CAN'T WAIT! ♡



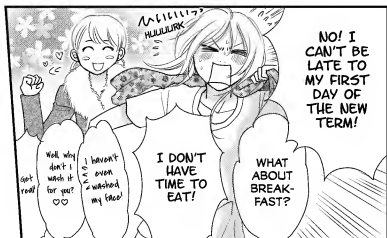
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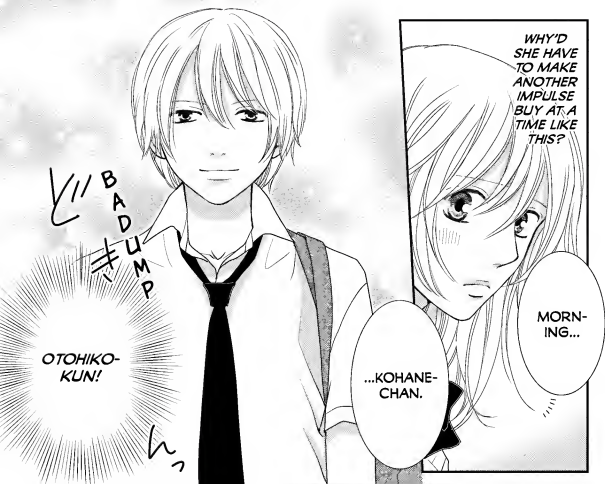
♪ SQUEE ♪

SIX-

SIXTY THOUSAND...
Sixty Thousand

MAYBE WINTER WILL COME EARLY THIS YEAR. ♡







Do you think...

...there might be any room for me...

...in your heart?



Is there anyone you have a crush on?

In that case...

No...?



?



AW, WHAT? NO WAY.

I WAS JUST THINKING HOW, EVEN THOUGH WE WERE BOTH ALMOST LATE, YOU LOOK A LOT LESS DISHEVELED THAN I DO.

NOPE!

DO I HAVE SOMETHING ON MY FACE?

WHAT?



THANK
GOD.

Phew

YEP.

YOU
REALLY
THINK
SO?

THEY'RE
ACTUALLY
PRETTY
CUTE.

DON'T
WORRY.



I'M LUCKY I
MANAGED TO
EVEN WASH
MY FACE.

I EVEN
HAVE
SOME
COW-
LUCKS IN
BACK.

HA
HA!

IORI WILL
PROBABLY
BE MAD AT
ME SINCE
HE SAID HE
EXPECTED ME
TO PUT WHAT
I'VE LEARNED
TO USE THIS
NEW TERM.



LET'S SEE
HERE.

IT'S
IORI-KUN'S...

HEY,
LOOK.

WHISPER

WHISPER



LET'S
GO
SOME-
PLACE
ELSE.

OH.
OKAY.

GRAB



I ALMOST
FORGOT. IT'S A
GOOD THING
WE RAN IN TO
EACH OTHER.

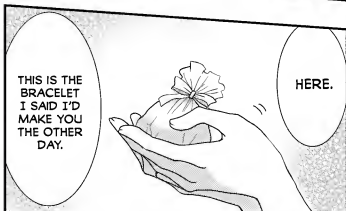
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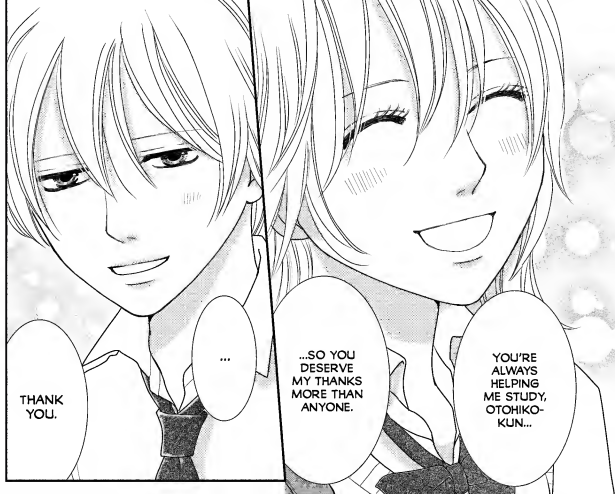
HE'S
STILL THE
SAME OLD
OTOHIKO-
KUN.

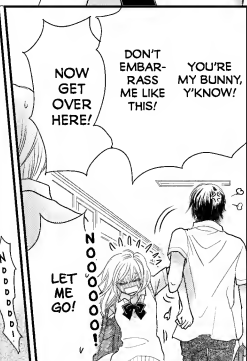
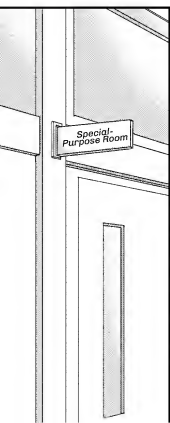
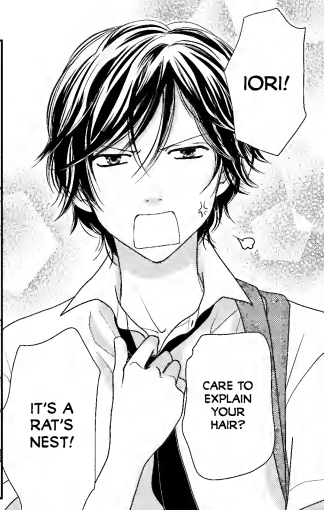
WE'RE
CHAT-
TING
LIKE
NOR-
MAL.

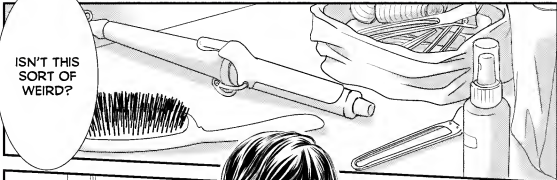
WHAT
IS IT?

LET ME
GIVE
THIS TO
YOU BE-
FORE WE
GET TO
CLASS.









ISN'T THIS
SORT OF
WEIRD?



YOU'RE THE
ONE WHO'S
WEIRD. I CAN'T
BELIEVE YOU
DIDN'T BRING
ANY MAKEUP
SUPPLIES BUT
A TUBE OF
LIPSTICK.

IT'S NOT
LIKE YOU'RE
A GIRL, SO
WHY DO YOU
CARRY ALL
THIS STUFF
AROUND
WITH YOU?



AAH...

YOUR
SCALP
IS SO
STIFF.

YOU HAVE
TO MAS-
SAGE IT.



I
MEAN...
I JUST
DIDN'T
HAVE
TIME.

GRRR

I'M SURE
YOU
WOULDN'T
HAVE EVEN
IF YOU
DID HAVE
TIME.

GRUMBLE



IORI
TOUCH-
ING MY
HAIR...

THIS
HAPPENS
EVERY
TIME.

NOW, IS
YOUR HAIR
THE ONLY
PROBLEM?

...JUST
FEELS SO
GOOD.

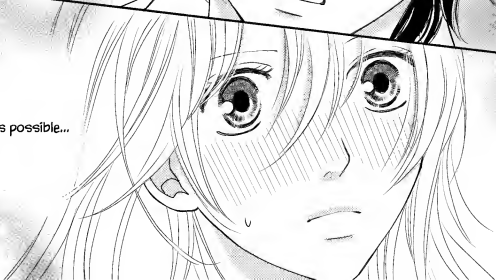
I'M
GETTING
SLEEPY.

EVEN JUST
SOME PRIMER
AND A LITTLE
POWDER
WOULD MAKE
A WORLD OF
DIFFERENCE.

Oh
well.



It's possible...





WAY TO BE
COMPLETELY
AMBIGUOUS.

OTOHIKO-
KUN!



...that
at some
point in the
future...

IT'S
"POSSI-
BLE."

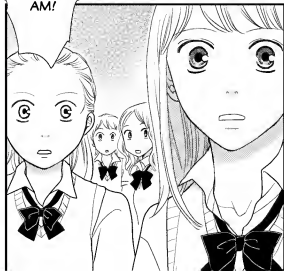
...I'm
going to
fall for
you.

GOD.



YOU HAVE
TO AT
LEAST DO
THE BARE
MINIMUM!

I AL-
READY
AM!



WHERE'S
IORI-KUN?
IS HE NOT
HERE YET?

I'VE
BEEN
TRYING
TO TELL
YOU!

HUH?

HE
SHOULD
BE BACK
SOON.

HE WAS
DOING
KOHANE-
CHAN'S
HAIR EAR-
LIER.

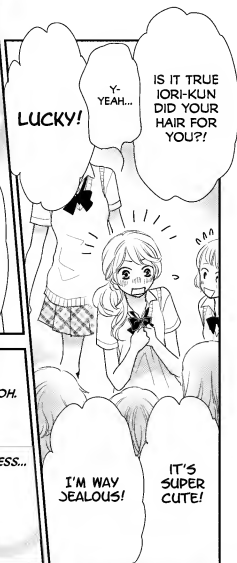




HUH?

MUST
BE NICE
BEING HIS
BUNNY.

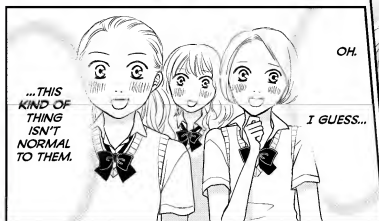
I WISH
HE'D DO
MY HAIR,
TOO!



LUCKY!

Y-
YEAH...

IS IT TRUE
IORI-KUN
DID YOUR
HAIR FOR
YOU?!



...THIS
KIND OF
THING
ISN'T
NORMAL
TO THEM.

OH.

I GUESS...

I'M WAY
JEALOUS!

IT'S
SUPER
CUTE!



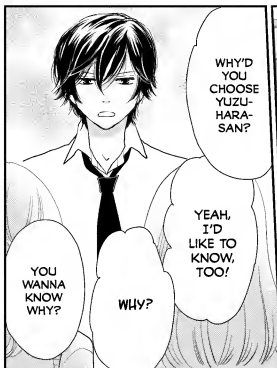
Really? No
way.

...SPECIAL?

HEY,
IORI-
KUN!

COULD
THAT
MEAN...

...THAT
I'M...





WH-

SHE'S SO
BAD I HAVE
DOUBTS THAT
SHE EVEN
DESERVES A
ONE OUT OF
TEN.

BUT NO
MATTER
HOW YOU
TRY TO
SPIN IT,



YEAH, I
GUESS
SHE'S
PRETTY...

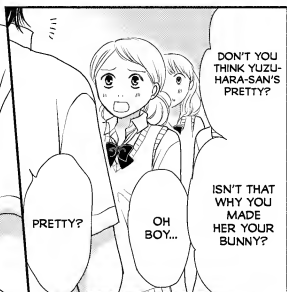
...PRETTY
PATHETIC.



BUT
COME
ON.

IT'S SO
SAD, I
COULDN'T
BEAR TO
JUST LET
HER GO ON
LIKE THAT.

WHAT
WAS
THAT?!



DON'T YOU
THINK YUZU-
HARA-SAN'S
PRETTY?

ISN'T THAT
WHY YOU
MADE
HER YOUR
BUNNY?

PRETTY?

OH
BOY...



HEY,
Y'KNOW, IT
SORT OF
SOUNDS
LIKE...

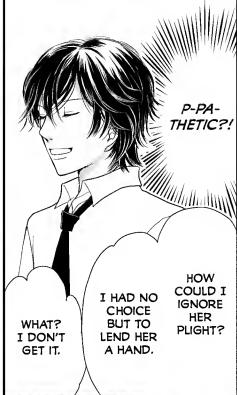
THAT'S AN
INTEREST-
ING WAY
OF PUT-
TING IT.

I like
it.

AH
HA
HA
HA!

...AS A
CHARITY
CASE,
HUH?

...SHE'S
NOT SO
MUCH
YOUR
BUNNY...



P-PA-
THETIC?!

WHAT?
I DON'T
GET IT.

I HAD NO
CHOICE
BUT TO
LEND HER
A HAND.

HOW
COULD I
IGNORE
HER
PLIGHT?



WHAT
THE
HELL?!

WH-

DAMN! I
HADN'T
THOUGHT
OF IT LIKE
THAT!

W
O
W
!

GIGGLE
すす

ME,
NEI-
THER!

あはははは
あはははは
あはははは
あはははは

You're
such a
nice guy
tori-kun
♡

God!

GIGGLE
すす

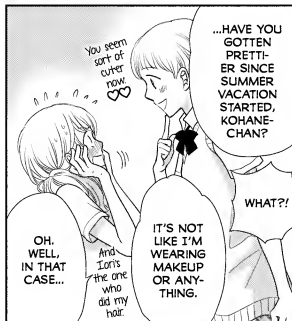


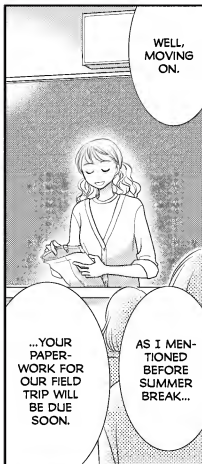
DON'T
PAY HIM
ANY
MIND.

FIRST
I GET
DOWN-
GRADED
TO GUINEA
PIG, AND
NOW I'M
JUST A
CHARITY
CASEP!

CLENCH
ぐっ

WHAT
HAPPENED
TO PO-
TENTIALLY
FALLING
FOR ME?!





WELL,
MOVING
ON.

...YOUR
PAPER-
WORK FOR
OUR FIELD
TRIP WILL
BE DUE
SOON.

AS I MEN-
TIONED
BEFORE
SUMMER
BREAK...



Don't
say
weird
stuff
like
that!

WHAT
ARE YOU
TALKING
ABOUT,
AN-CHAN?!

NO!
ABSO-
LUTELY
NOT!

HUH?

ARE YOU
REALLY?

Heh
heh
heh

It's...

GASP

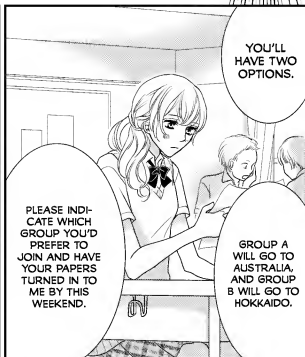


**I SWEAR
I'M NOT
IN LOVE!**



HEY,
IORI-
KUN,
YOU'RE
GOING
WITH A,
RIGHT?

YEAH.



YOU'LL
HAVE TWO
OPTIONS.

PLEASE INDI-
CATE WHICH
GROUP YOU'D
PREFER TO
JOIN AND HAVE
YOUR PAPERS
TURNED IN TO
ME BY THIS
WEEKEND.

GROUP A
WILL GO TO
AUSTRALIA,
AND GROUP
B WILL GO TO
HOKKAIDO.



WE'D LIKE TO HANG OUT WITH YOU WHILE WE'RE THERE! ♥

OHMY? OO

WHICH GROUP ARE YOU JOINING, KOHANE-CHAN? I PICKED B.

I FIGURED IORI AND OTOHIKO-KUN WOULD GO WITH A...



ALTHOUGH I CAN'T SAY I'M PLEASED WITH OUR OPTIONS.

Neither seems all that great.

IORI KNOWS A LOT ABOUT AUSTRALIA, SO THAT SHOULD MAKE OUR ASSIGNMENTS EASY.

COOL.

YEP.

ARE YOU GOING WITH A, TOO, OTOHIKO-KUN?



COME ON! YOU SHOULD GO! WE CAN MAKE SOME NICE MEMORIES!

I MEAN, IT SEEMS LIKE A LOT OF MONEY.



I'LL CONSIDER IT.

THAT'S TRUE...

SOME THINGS ARE MORE IMPORTANT THAN YOUR BUDGET!

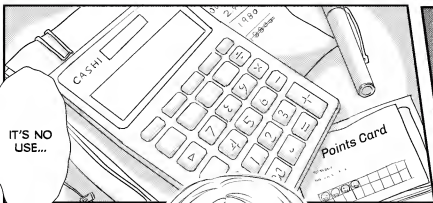


BETWEEN THE TWO, I'D PROBABLY GO WITH HOKKAIDO, BUT THAT IS WHERE I'M FROM, ANYWAY, SO I MIGHT JUST NOT GO AT ALL.

WELL...

WHY NOT?!

WAIT!



IT'S NO
USE...

Points Card



I WOULD'VE
THOUGHT
MIKA-CHAN'S
FUR WAS WHAT
KILLED MY
CHANCES...

I KNEW WE
WOULDN'T
HAVE
ENOUGH.



I GUESS IT
COULDN'T
HURT...

...TO
TRY TO
HAGGLE
A LITTLE.

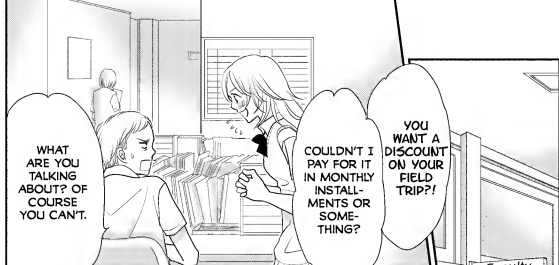


THWINK
はっ
た...

...BUT REALLY,
THIS IS THE
RESULT OF ALL
HER IMPULSE
PURCHASES
PILING UP.

THIS
SUCKS.





WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT? OF COURSE YOU CAN'T.

COULDN'T I PAY FOR IT IN MONTHLY INSTALLMENTS OR SOMETHING?

YOU WANT A DISCOUNT ON YOUR FIELD TRIP?!



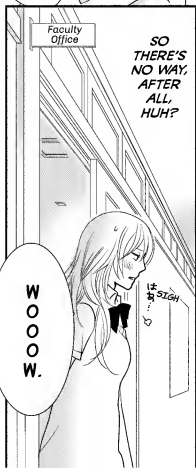
YOU'RE JUST FULL OF IDEAS, YUZUHARA-SAN.

OH... WELL, THEN...

AND I COULD LEAVE AHEAD OF YOU GUYS AND TAKE A SLOWER TRAIN!

WHAT IF WE EXCLUDED DINNERS FROM MY PACKAGE?

WHAT?!

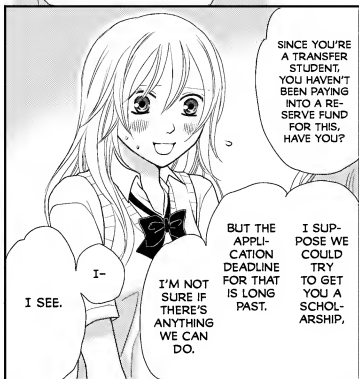


Faculty Office

SO THERE'S NO WAY, AFTER ALL, HUH?

WOOO.

はぁ
SIGH



SINCE YOU'RE A TRANSFER STUDENT, YOU HAVEN'T BEEN PAYING INTO A RESERVE FUND FOR THIS, HAVE YOU?

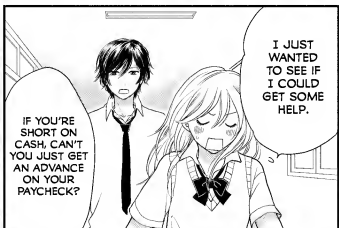
BUT THE APPLICATION DEADLINE FOR THAT IS LONG PAST.

I SUPPOSE WE COULD TRY TO GET YOU A SCHOLARSHIP,

I-

I SEE.

I'M NOT SURE IF THERE'S ANYTHING WE CAN DO.





SHE'S
YOUR
MOTHER,
RIGHT?

WHAT
ARE YOU
AFRAID
OF?

...
MIKA-
CHAN...

...IS THE
MOST
IMPORTANT
PERSON IN
THE WORLD
TO ME.



ANYWAY,
DON'T LET
ME GET IN
THE WAY...

...OF YOU
ENJOYING
THE KOALAS
OR THE GOLD
COASTER OR
WHATEVER.

I DON'T
WANT TO
MAKE HER
WORRIED...

...OR
CAUSE
HER ANY
PROB-
LEMS.



Cosmetics Shop

We only have 50 sets, so call now!

If you miss this one, there's no going back!

All right! This is your last chance!

50% off

Look ten years younger! Moisturizing four-step set

I NEED IT.

I NEED...

Get those note-pads ready!

I-

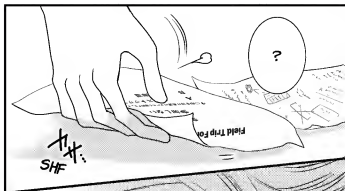
MONKADO
Pocket Guide

My Budget

...?

...A NOTE-PAD!

OR PAPER!



Field Trip Form

☐ I will participate

☒ I will not participate

Please indicate your desired group by placing a circle next to it.

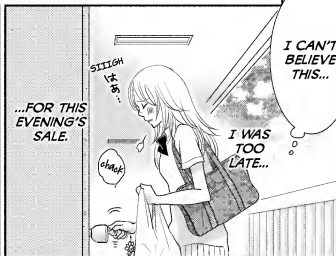
Australia
Hokkaido





DON'T YOU
NEED TO BE
AT WORK,
MIKA-CHAN?

I GOT
THE DAY
OFF.



...FOR THIS
EVENING'S
SALE.

STITCH
はあ...

chack

I WAS
TOO
LATE...

I CAN'T
BELIEVE
THIS...

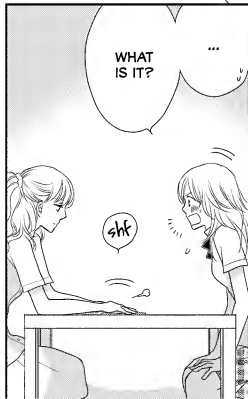


HUH?

WELCOME
HOME.

chack

BAD LUCK
JUST COMES
AT YOU ALL
AT ONCE,
DOESN'T IT?



WHAT
IS IT?

shf

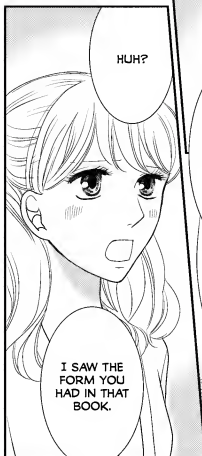


WAIT,
WHAT?!

COME
OVER
HERE
AND SIT
DOWN.

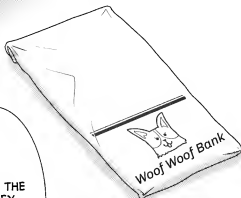
I'M
NOT.

DON'T
TELL ME
YOU'RE IN
TROUBLE
AGAIN!



HUH?

I SAW THE
FORM YOU
HAD IN THAT
BOOK.



WHAT IS
THIS ALL
ABOUT?

HERE'S THE
MONEY
FOR YOUR
FIELD TRIP.



I GOT IT
BY SELLING
THAT COAT.

DON'T
WORRY.

TH-
THIS ISN'T
YOUR FINAL
PAYCHECK
OR SOME-
THING,
IS IT?

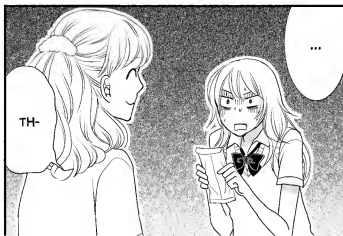
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SHES
SHES



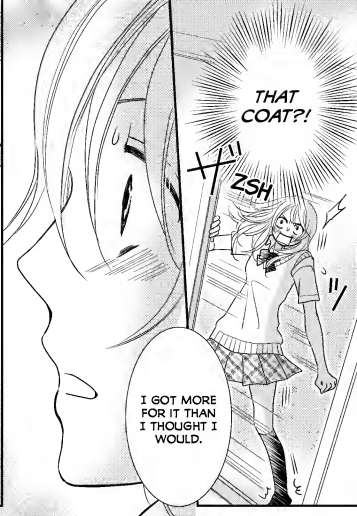
WHY
DIDN'T
YOU
TELL ME
ABOUT
IT?

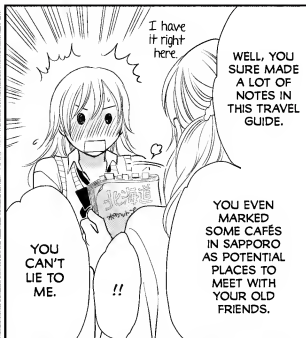
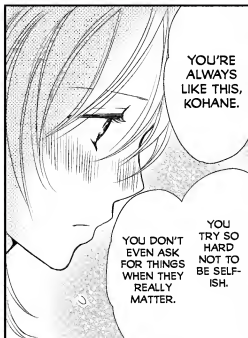
WAIT A
MINUTE!

FIRST,
WHERE
DID YOU
GET THIS
MONEY?



TH-







I LOVE YOU
MORE THAN
ANYTHING,
KOHANE.

BUT STILL,
NO MATTER
WHAT KIND
OF WONDER-
FUL THING
I'VE FOUND,

IT COULD
NEVER BE
AS GOOD
AS YOU.



DRIP
12°
3

DRIP
13°
3

Y-
Y'KNOW...

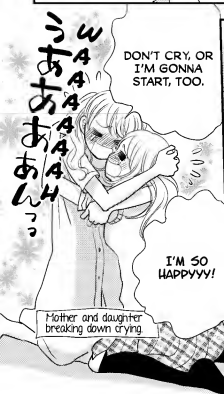
...I REALLY,
REALLY
WANTED...TO
GO ON THIS
TRIP. I'M-

I'M
JUST...

ACTU-
ALLY...

YES?

DON'T
FORGET
THAT.



DON'T CRY, OR
I'M GONNA
START, TOO.

I'M SO
HAPPY!!!

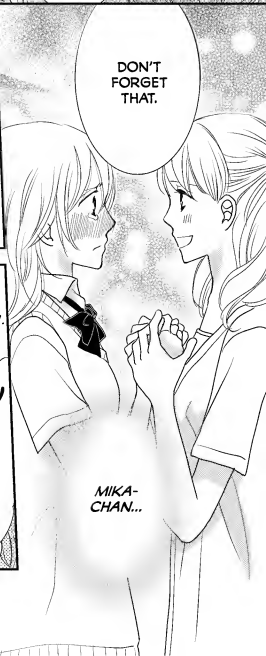
Mother and daughter
breaking down crying



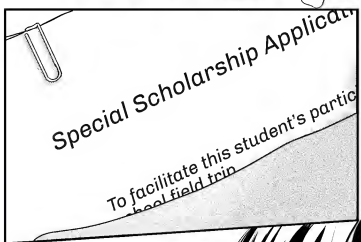
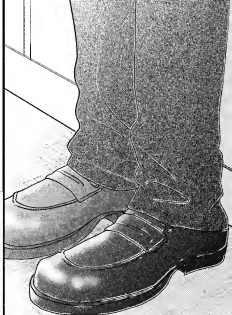
...SO
HAPPY.

OH,
KOHANE.

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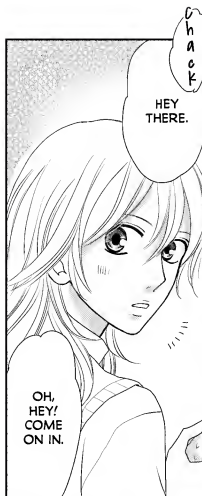


MIKA-
CHAN...



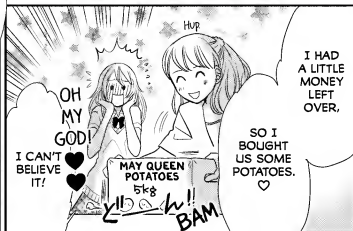
KOHANEETEE!





HEY THERE.

OH, HEY! COME ON IN.

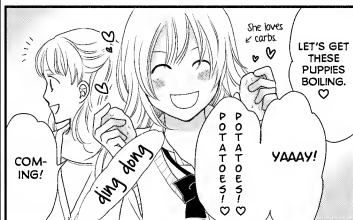


OH MY GOD!
I CAN'T BELIEVE IT!

MAY QUEEN POTATOES
5kg

SO I BOUGHT US SOME POTATOES.

I HAD A LITTLE MONEY LEFT OVER,



COM-ING!

ding dong

POTATOES!
POTATOES!

YAAAY!

LET'S GET THESE PUPPIES BOILING.

She loves < corns.



YOU'RE JUST IN TIME!

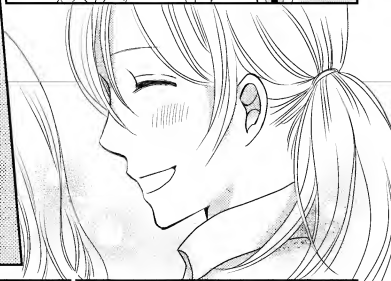
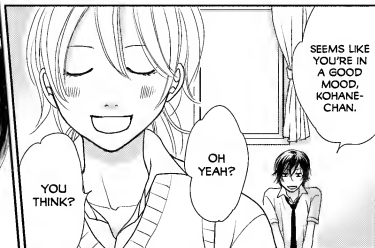
I'M ABOUT TO BOIL SOME POTATOES, SO HAVE A SEAT!



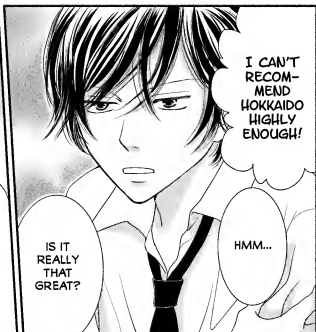
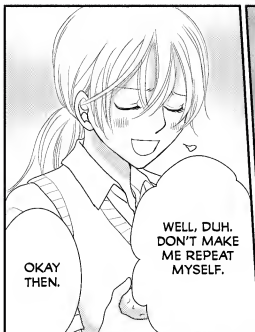
IORIII!

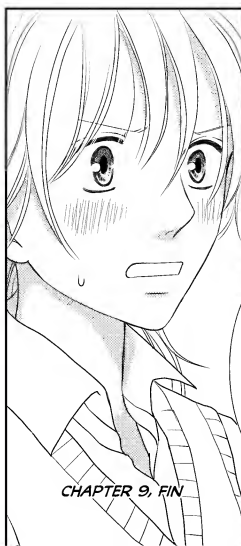
SO DO YOU HAVE THE DAY OFF, MIKA-CHAN?

YEP. I JUST HAD TO DEAL WITH A LITTLE SOMETHING.









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Repping Tokyo?

Beauty Bunny.





I SHOULDN'T
HAVE COME
TO HOKKAIDO!

UGGGGGH.

I'M
SHIV-
ERING
HERE.

I'M TALKING ABOUT THE OTHER PEOPLE IN OUR GROUP!

Yorikawa! ♥ DADUULUM ♪!!

reeeeeee ♪♪♪

They're not exactly models.

JUST LOOK AT THIS TRAIN WRECK!

EVEN EXCLUDING THE GUYS DOESN'T HELP!

IT'S NOT THAT BAD.

HUH? ARE YOU THAT COLD?

I'M NOT TALKING ABOUT THE WEATHER!

I'M PRETTY WARM.

THEN YOU SHOULD'VE GONE TO AUSTRALIA!

YOU'VE SERIOUSLY GOT TO CUT IT OUT, MAN.

I'M ONLY HERE 'CAUSE YOU WERE ALL LIKE, "YES! HOKKAIDO!"

THEY'RE ALMOST AS BAD AS YOU ARE!

I CAN'T BELIEVE OUR TOUR GUIDE IS THE PRETTIEST WOMAN HERE!

WELL, THEY SURE AREN'T EYE CANDY!

WHAT IS THAT SUPPOSED TO MEAN?!

YOU ASS-HOLE!

OH! YOU HE FROTHIER HE HE



HONESTLY, I
WOULD'VE
BEEN HAPPY
EITHER WAY.

I'M SO
SORRY! IORI
MADE YOU
SWITCH TO
HOKKAIDO
WITH HIM,
DIDN'T HE?

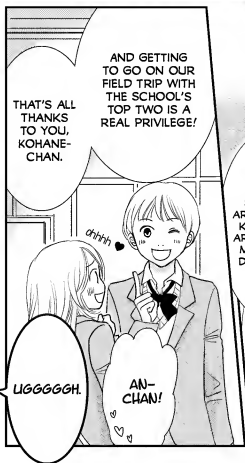
BESIDES...



EVERY
GIRL IS
PRETTY IN
HER OWN
WAY.

OTOHIKO-
KUN!

YOU
DON'T
HAVE TO
BE SUCH
A JERK.



THAT'S ALL
THANKS
TO YOU,
KOHANE-
CHAN.

AND GETTING
TO GO ON OUR
FIELD TRIP WITH
THE SCHOOL'S
TOP TWO IS A
REAL PRIVILEGE!

UUGGGGGH.

AN-
CHAN!

HAVING
SOMEONE
AROUND WHO
KNOWS THE
AREA SHOULD
MAKE A BIG
DIFFERENCE.

YOU
SAID IT!



...I THINK THIS
TRIP IS GOING
TO TURN OUT
PRETTY WELL
SINCE YOU'RE
HERE, KOHANE-
CHAN.



YOU
THINK
SO?



YOU
WOULDN'T
KNOW IT BY
HIS ROYAL
HIGHNESS'S
ATTITUDE...

WELL, IF
HOKKAIDO'S
ALL THAT, WHY
DON'T YOU
SHOW US
WHAT'S SO
GREAT ABOUT
IT?

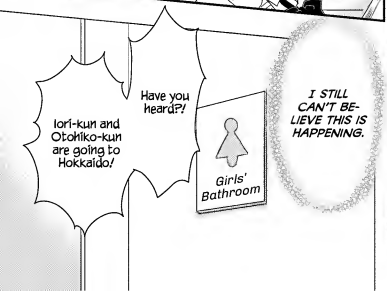
COME
ON, MISS
KOHANE!



YEAH,
LET'S
HOPE.

LET'S JUST
HOPE THE
GIRLS WHO
WENT TO AUS-
TRALIA DON'T
CURSE US AS
PAYBACK.

HA
HA
HA...

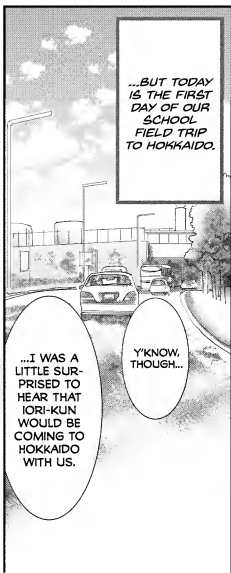


Iori-kun and
Otohiko-kun
are going to
Hokkaido!

Have you
heard?!

Girls'
Bathroom

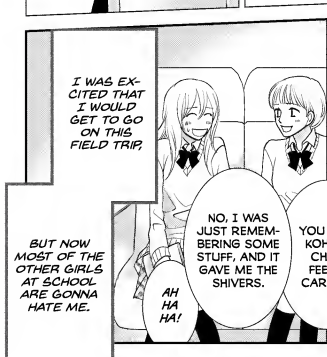
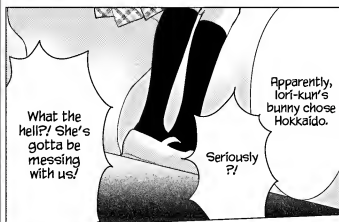
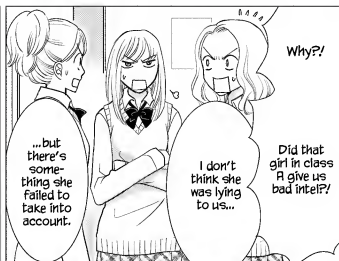
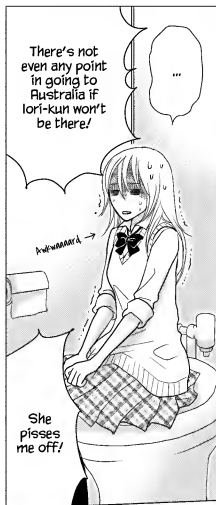
I STILL
CAN'T BE-
LIEVE THIS IS
HAPPENING.



...BUT TODAY
IS THE FIRST
DAY OF OUR
SCHOOL
FIELD TRIP
TO HOKKAIDO.

Y'KNOW,
THOUGH...

...I WAS A
LITTLE SUR-
PRISED TO
HEAR THAT
IORI-KUN
WOULD BE
COMING TO
HOKKAIDO
WITH US.



WHOA.

DOONG

DOONG

NOT TO MENTION...

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ha
ha

WHAT'S
HIS
PROBLEM?

What a
letdown.

I MEAN, AREN'T
YOU SUPPOSED
TO BUILD THIS
KIND OF THING
IN THE MIDDLE
OF SOME VAST
EXPANSE OF
LAND?

...THERE'S
THIS GUY WHO
WON'T STOP
COMPLAINING
EVEN THOUGH
HE CAME
HERE OF HIS
OWN FREE
WILL.

OH WELL,
THAT SUCKS.

TALK
ABOUT
SHABBY.

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SNAP //

ohhhh

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Y'KNOW...

DID YOU  
SEE THAT  
BOY JUST  
NOW?

OTOHIKO-  
KUN!

...LOCATION  
ASIDE, I LIKE  
IT. THE BELL  
HAS SUCH A  
CHARMING  
TONE TO ITS  
RING.

IT ISN'T  
ANYTHING  
LIKE WHAT I  
IMAGINED.

*IT FIGURES...*

*...THAT HE  
WOULD  
STAND  
OUT.*

HE'S SO  
HAND-  
SOME!

WHAT A  
HOTTIE!

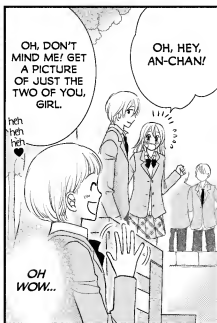
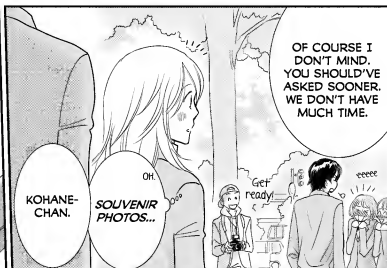
HEY, IORI-  
KUUUN!

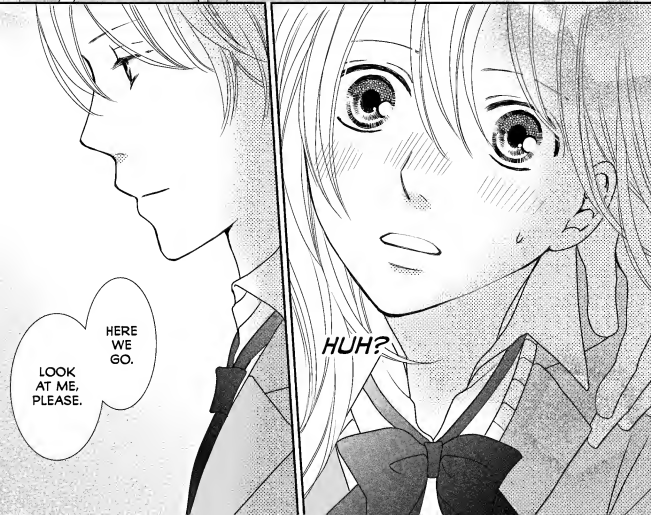
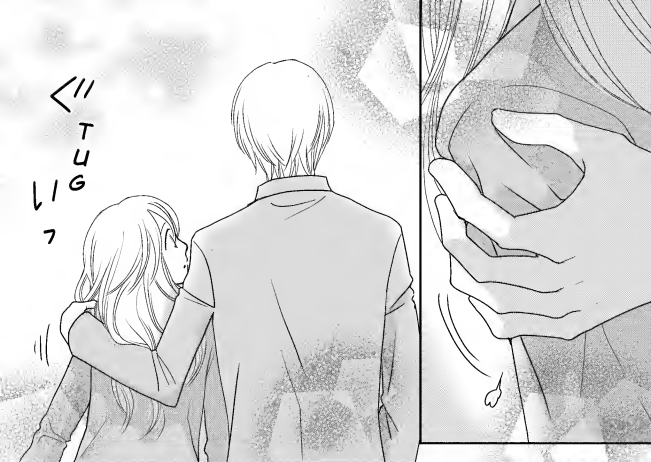
HE REALLY  
IS GOOD-  
LOOKING...

IF YOU  
DON'T  
MIND.

WOULD  
YOU TAKE  
A PICTURE  
WITH US?

*...UNTIL HE  
OPENS HIS  
MOUTH.*







HIS HAND...

WATCH YOUR STEP.

NEXT!

I-

OH, RIGHT.

I WASN'T EXPECTING THAT...

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HEY!

OKAY.



A  
W  
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W  
!

OH, PLEASE.

I AM NOT JEALOUS.

IS IORI-KUN JEALOUS?



COME ON.

I CAN'T BELIEVE YOU'D GET YOUR PICTURE TAKEN WITHOUT ME.

OOOOH!

WHAT'S THE BIG DEAL? YOU GOT YOURS TAKEN WITH THOSE GIRLS, DIDN'T YOU?



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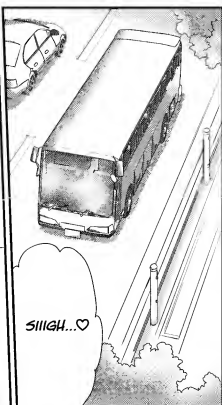
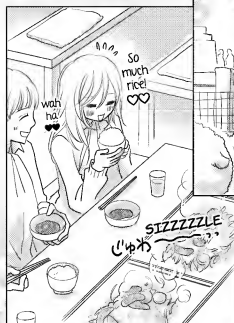
THINK YOU CAN CONDESCEND TO ME, DO YOU?

Cut it out.

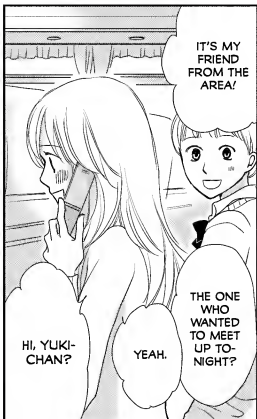


WELL, IF IT'S THAT IMPORTANT TO YOU, I SUPPOSE WE CAN HAVE OUR PICTURE TAKEN TOGETHER.

...











VERRRY  
INTEREST-  
ING.



I JUST GOT  
ALONG  
WITH HIM  
REALLY WELL  
COMPARED  
TO OTHER  
BOYS.

OH MY  
GOD!  
♡

I MEAN...  
MAYBE? I  
GUESS HE  
MIGHT'VE  
BEEN MY  
FIRST  
CRUSH.

DID YOU  
LIKE HIM?



MAYBE I  
SHOULD TAG  
ALONG.

!!



YOUR  
FIRST  
CRUSH,  
HUH?

WELL,  
WELL,  
WELL.

NO WAY!  
NOT IN A  
MILLION-

HE MUST  
HAVE A  
THING FOR  
YOU IF HE'S  
GOING  
TO THE  
TROUBLE OF  
MEETING UP  
WITH YOU  
TONIGHT.



WHAT IS  
HE LIKE?

THEY'RE SO  
GOOD, I'D  
WALK HOME  
WITH HIM  
JUST TO GET  
SOME!

THEY MAKE  
THE MOST  
DELICIOUS  
*KOROKKE*  
BUNS!

HIS  
FAMILY  
RUNS A  
BAKERY.



NO! DON'T  
YOU DARE  
TRY TO  
FOLLOW  
ME!

NO!!

I GUESS  
HE'S PROBABLY  
SOME  
BIG BEAR OF  
A MAN, ANY-  
WAY, HUH?







YOU  
DON'T  
GET IT AT  
ALL, DO  
YOU?

I'M JUST  
VISITING  
HOME. I  
DON'T SEE  
THE POINT  
IN ALL THIS  
MAKEUP.



JEEZ!  
WHAT'S  
THE BIG  
DEAL?



EXCUSE  
ME?!

I'M  
REPRE-  
SENTING  
TOKYO  
?!

LISTEN  
UP.

YOU'RE  
HERE REP-  
RESENTING  
TOKYO,  
JAPAN'S  
AESTHETIC  
AVANT-  
GARDE!



!!

IF YOU CAN  
MAKE THEM  
GO LIKE,  
"TOKYO'S SO  
AWESOME!"  
THAT'S YOUR  
GOLD MEDAL.

YEAH.

WELL  
THEN,  
CAN I  
WIN A  
GOLD  
MEDAL?

WHAT  
IN THE...



IORI-KUN'S  
REALLY  
DOING HER  
MAKEUP!

DAAAMN!

THIS IS A  
PRETTY  
RARE  
OPPOR-  
TUNITY,  
ISN'T IT?

IORI-  
KUUN!



THERE'S  
NO WAY  
I CAN  
DO THAT!

DON'T  
BOTHER  
COMING  
BACK  
UNTIL  
YOU  
HAVE.

SERI-  
OUSLY?!



HEY!

STOP  
CRYING!

I DON'T  
BELIEVE IN  
MYSELF,  
THOUGH!

NOW I'M  
ANXIOUS  
ABOUT  
GOING...



WOW!

A CAT-EYE LOOK  
WILL DO THAT  
FOR YOU. JUST  
DRAW YOUR  
EYELINER OUT A  
LITTLE PAST THE  
OUTER CORNER  
OF YOUR EYE.

HER LEFT  
EYE LOOKS  
SO MUCH  
BIGGER  
THAN HER  
RIGHT  
NOW!

COOL!

IT'S A  
BASIC  
TECH-  
NIQUE.

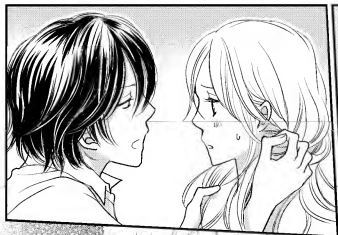


CAN WE  
COME  
CLOSER  
FOR A  
BETTER  
LOOK?

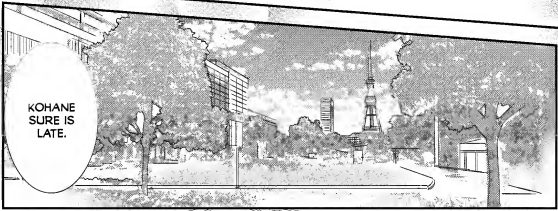
EEE!  
♡♡

SURE.









KOHANE  
SURE IS  
LATE.



HUH...  
IS THAT  
HER?

I HOPE  
WE AT  
LEAST  
GET TO  
SEE HER.

AND WE  
DON'T HAVE  
MUCH TIME,  
EITHER.

YEAH.



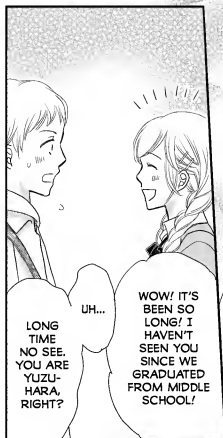
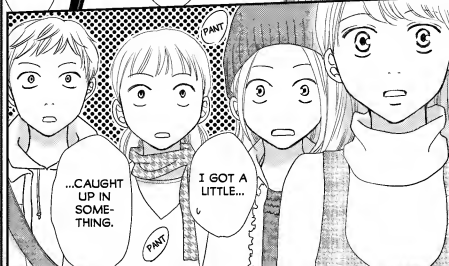
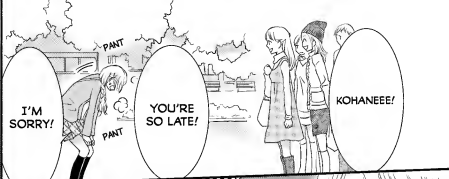
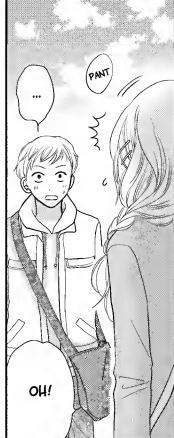
SHE'S  
RUN-  
NING!

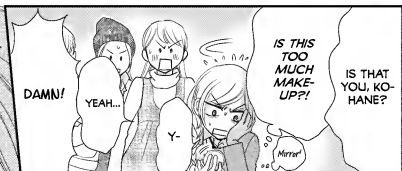
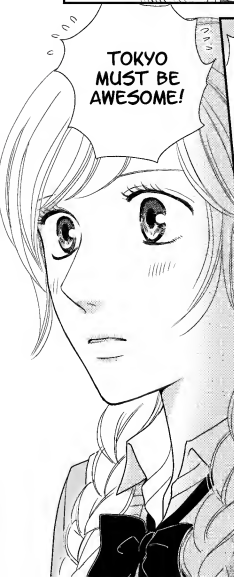
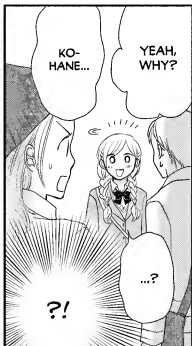
SEEMS  
LIKE.

OH,  
HEY!



ARE YOU  
GONNA  
BE OKAY  
ON TIME,  
RYOHEI-  
KUN?







YOU  
SORT OF  
STARTLED  
ME.

I COULDN'T  
TELL WHO  
YOU WERE  
FOR A SEC-  
OND.



I GOT  
THE  
GOLD  
MEDAL!

KO-  
WHAT'S HANE?  
UP?

I  
DID  
IT!

GOOOOOOOL



YOU RE-  
ALLY HAVE  
CHANGED.

WOW.



\*Kohane's not  
from Sapporo.

LET'S  
GET  
SOME  
STREET  
FOOD.

HEY,  
YOU  
GUYS.

OH, I  
GET  
IT!

HE'S  
GOING TO  
SCHOOL IN  
SAPPORO...

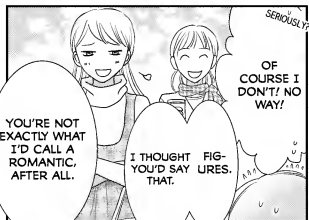
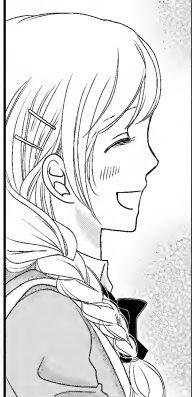
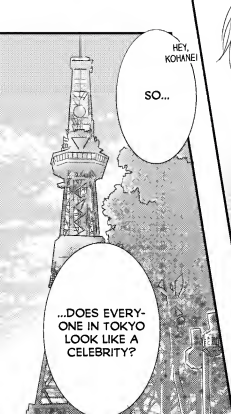
...SO WE  
THOUGHT  
WE'D  
TRY TO  
SURPRISE  
YOU.



I TOLD  
HIM  
ABOUT  
THIS.

YOU  
MUST HAVE  
KNOWN I'D  
BE BACK,  
HUH?

SAME GOES  
FOR YOU,  
RYOHEI-KUN!  
YOU'VE GOT-  
TEN PRETTY  
HANDSOME!





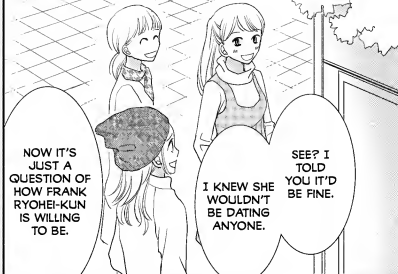
THEY'RE FINE. I STILL VISIT THEM ON WEEKENDS SOME-TIMES.

HOW ARE YOUR PARENTS DOING?

OH, YEAH?

UH-HUH, IT WAS NICE.

I GUESS WE WALKED HOME TOGETHER PRETTY OFTEN, DIDN'T WE?



NOW IT'S JUST A QUESTION OF HOW FRANK RYOHEI-KUN IS WILLING TO BE.

SEE? I TOLD YOU IT'D BE FINE. I KNEW SHE WOULDN'T BE DATING ANYONE.



HARD TO BELIEVE HE'S STILL CRUSHING ON HER.

I'M A LITTLE WORRIED, THOUGH. SHE'S NOT EXACTLY THE MOST PERCEPTIVE GIRL IN THE WORLD...



YOU KNOW!

WHAT DO YOU MEAN?

YOU SAID YOU WANTED TO BE A MOVIE DIRECTOR.



...ARE YOU STILL WORKING ON THAT DREAM OF YOURS, RYOHEI-KUN?

OH!

WE GOT TO TALK ABOUT ALL KINDS OF THINGS.



BY THE WAY...



HUH?

EVERY-  
ONE DOES  
AS TIME  
GOES BY.

YOU'RE NOT  
THE ONLY  
ONE WHO'S  
CHANGED,  
YUZUHARA.



IT MADE  
ME THINK  
ABOUT HOW  
THEY'D BE  
ADVERTIS-  
ING YOUR  
MOVIES ONE  
DAY.

ANYTIME  
I'D SEE AN  
AD FOR  
A MOVIE,  
IT WOULD  
REMINDE ME  
OF YOU.

...

THAT WAS A  
LONG  
TIME  
AGO.



RYOHEI-  
KUN?

...HOPING  
I'D BE  
ABLE TO  
TELL YOU  
WHAT I  
COULDN'T  
BACK  
THEN.

I CAME  
HERE  
TODAY...

Y'KNOW,

YUZU-  
HARA...

YOU  
SEE...



I'M  
NOT...

...THE  
PERSON  
I WAS  
THEN.





WHAT A  
COINCIDENCE!

...FOR A  
LONG TIME  
NOW, I'VE-



WHO'D  
HAVE  
THOUGHT  
I'D FIND  
A PIG ALL  
DOLLED  
UP...

...WHILE ON  
A STROLL  
THROUGH  
ODORI  
PARK?

IORI!!



WHAT'S  
THIS?  
KOHANE-  
CHAN?



TAKE US  
SOME-  
WHERE  
FOR FOOD.  
WE WON'T  
FIND  
ANYTHING  
GOOD  
WITHOUT  
YOU.

EX-  
CUSE  
ME?!  
  
WHAT  
ARE YOU  
TALKING  
ABOUT?!

Cut it  
out man

Oh  
dear

SORRY,  
KOHANE-  
CHAN.

IORI INSIST-  
ED THAT  
YOU PICK  
WHERE  
WE GET  
SEAFOOD  
BOWLS,  
KOHANE-  
CHAN.

OTO-  
HIKO-  
KUN!

AND  
MY-  
CHAN,  
TOOI





OH MY  
GOD, I  
CAN'T  
BELIEVE  
THIS!

TOKYO'S SO  
FREAKING  
AWESOME!

WELL,  
WHAT  
DO YOU  
KNOW?

THIS IS  
JUST  
TOO  
MUCH!



WHAT'S...

OH!

SORRY!

FOR  
REAL  
?!

THESE  
ARE MY  
FRIENDS.

WHAT'S  
GOING  
ON?!



WHY DON'T  
WE ALL GO  
OUT TO EAT  
WHILE WE  
HAVE THE  
CHANCE?

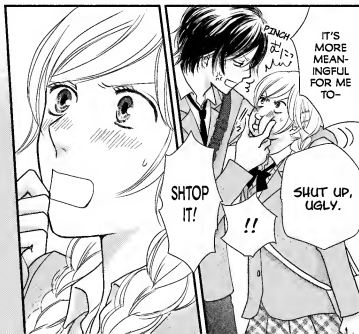
HEY.



I ALREADY  
TOOK IT  
EARLIER!

IT'S EASY  
FOR YOU  
TO MAKE  
PEOPLE  
SAY THAT,  
ANYWAY,  
IORI!

LOOKS LIKE  
THAT GOLD  
MEDAL'S  
MINE,  
KOHANE-  
CHAN.



SHTOP  
IT!

SHUT UP,  
UGLY.

IT'S  
MORE  
MEAN-  
INGFUL  
FOR ME  
TO-

OKAY,  
SORRY WE  
DIDN'T  
HAVE MUCH  
TIME TO-  
GETHER!

I GUESS  
IT'S TIME  
FOR US  
TO PART  
WAYS.

SORRY!

WE DON'T  
LIVE IN  
TOWN,  
SO WE'VE  
GOTTA GO  
BEFORE IT  
GETS TOO  
LATE.

I WISH  
WE  
COULD!

HUH?!

WHAT'S  
THE MAT-  
TER? THE  
MORE THE  
MERRIER,  
RIGHT?

EEEEEE!  
!!

HEY.  
IF YOU'RE  
EVER IN  
TOKYO,  
I'LL SHOW  
YOU AROUND.

KEEP IN  
TOUCH,  
OKAY?

ALL  
RIGHT,  
KO-  
HANE!

HEY!

COOL,  
RYO-  
HEI.

RYO-  
HEI.

NAME'S  
IORI!  
YOU?

THEN  
COME  
WITH US.

I HAVE  
TIME, BUT-

HOW  
ABOUT  
YOU?

YAAAY!

THAT  
WAS  
FAST!

I GOT A  
RESERVA-  
TION FOR  
FIVE!

HEY,  
YOU  
GUYS!

WAIT!

Seriously?

I THINK  
IORI'S  
ALREADY  
PICKED OUT  
A RESTAU-  
RANT.

SHALL  
WE GET  
GOING  
THEN?

Oh, you  
guys.



NOT A  
FAN EX-  
ACTLY.

NO,

WHAT?  
ARE YOU  
A FAN OF  
HERS?



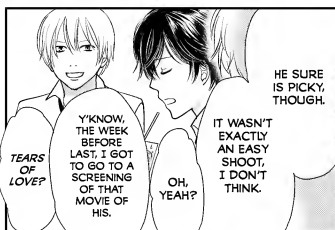
WAIT!

YASHIMA  
COSMET-  
ICS?

YOU MEAN  
LIKE THE  
COMPANY  
HIMIKO  
MODELS  
FOR?

YEAH,  
SHE'S MY  
SISTER.

WOW,  
THAT'S  
AWESOME.



HE SURE  
IS PICKY,  
THOUGH.

IT WASN'T  
EXACTLY  
AN EASY  
SHOOT,  
I DON'T  
THINK.

OH,  
YEAH?

Y'KNOW,  
THE WEEK  
BEFORE  
LAST, I GOT  
TO GO TO A  
SCREENING  
OF THAT  
MOVIE OF  
HIS.

TEARS  
OF LOVE?



WOW!

I CAN'T  
WAIT TO  
SEE IT  
MYSELF.

I LIKED  
IT.

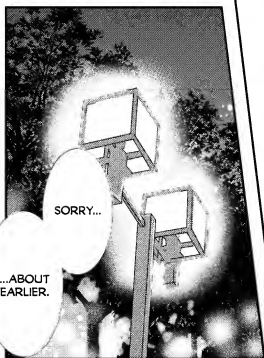


HEY, YOU  
KNOW  
YOUR  
STUFF.

BUT THE  
DIRECTOR  
OKUBO WAS  
INVOLVED IN  
HER LATEST  
COMMERCIAL,  
RIGHT?

HE'S GOT  
THIS UNIQUE  
PERSPECTIVE  
THAT YOU  
JUST GET  
SUCKED  
INTO.

I REALLY  
LOVE  
OKUBO'S  
WORK.



SORRY...

...ABOUT  
EARLIER.



I MEAN,  
EVERYONE'S  
ALWAYS  
CHANGING  
BIT BY BIT,  
RIGHT?

...I DON'T  
KNOW WHY  
I THOUGHT  
YOU'D STILL  
HAVE THE  
SAME DREAM  
AFTER ALL  
THIS TIME.



WHAT  
DO YOU  
MEAN?

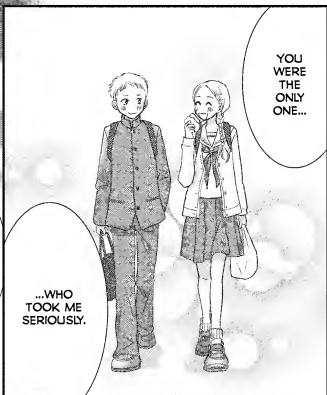
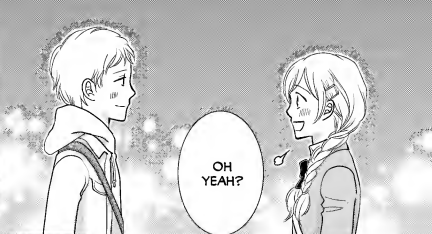
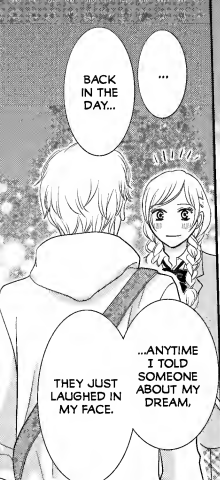
I CAN BE  
A BIT OF A  
DITZ SOME-  
TIMES, OR  
RATHER...

JUST,











DON'T BE  
RIDICU-  
LOUS!

EX-  
CUSE  
ME?!

IORI-KUN  
SAYS HE  
WANTS TO  
GO TO A  
MAID CAFÉ.

you in?

Let's get  
moving.

Why come all  
the way to  
hokkaido just  
for a maid  
café?!

HEY...



THANKS,  
YUZUHARA.

KOHANE-  
CHAN!

RYOHEI-  
KUN...



TAKE  
CARE.

OKAY,  
YUZU-  
HARA.

RIGHT!



...YUZUHARA  
ISN'T ALWAYS  
AS WELL  
PUT-TOGETH-  
ER AS SHE  
SEEMS.

WHAT  
ARE YOU,  
HER MOTH-  
ER?

TAKE  
CARE OF  
HER FOR  
ME.

AH HA  
HA!

IORI!



OH,  
COME ON,  
RYOHEI.  
YOU  
SHOULD  
COME  
WITH.

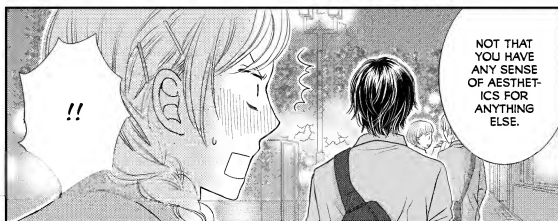
...I THINK  
I'D BETTER  
START  
HEADING  
HOME.

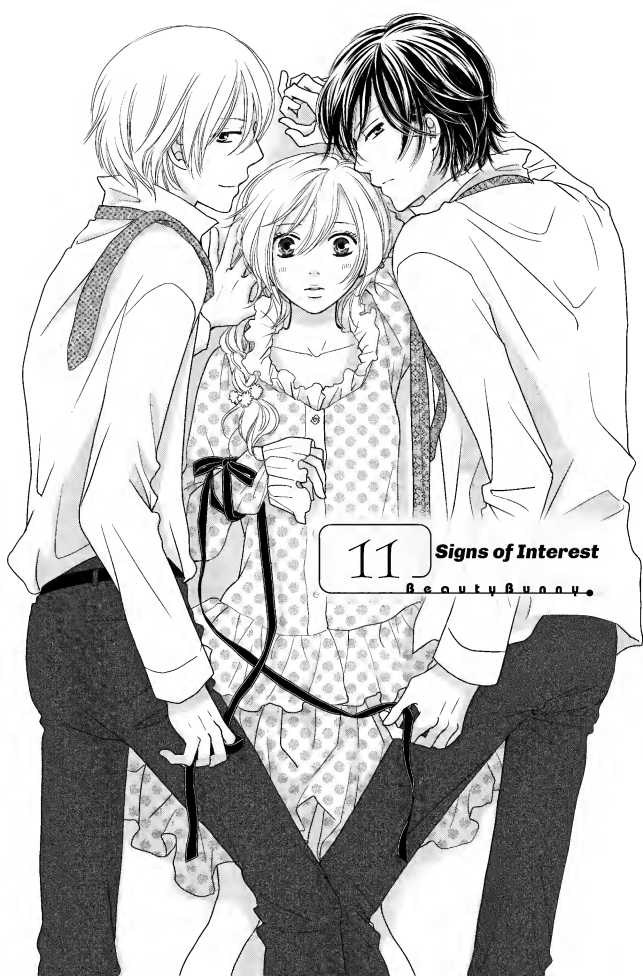
YOU'RE  
GETTING A  
LITTLE TOO  
BUDDY-BUD-  
DY THERE,  
MISTER.

THANKS  
FOR  
DINNER,  
MAN.

ALSO...







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**Signs of Interest**

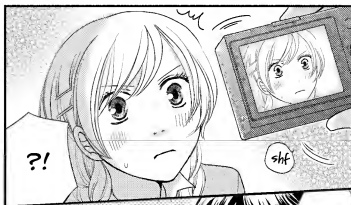
Beauty Bunny.





WE DON'T  
EVEN HAVE  
TIME TO GO  
TO A MAID  
CAFÉ.

UHH,  
GUYS?









THAT'S  
ALL.



SHE CAN'T  
LOOK AT  
THEM NOW.

IT'S THE  
CLOSEST  
SHE'LL GET  
TO A SCHOOL  
FIELD TRIP,  
SINCE SHE  
COULDN'T  
GO IN MIDDLE  
SCHOOL,  
EITHER.

BUT  
EVEN-  
TUALLY,  
SHE'LL BE  
ABLE TO.



OH...







THAT  
WAS  
GREAT!

Perfect ♡

WHAT  
IF...

YOU'RE  
SUCH A  
DORK.



ハハハハハ  
SNAP

YOU  
DUMBASS.

OH,  
IORI.

THAT'S  
KIND OF  
CUTE.



YOU SEEM  
EXCITED,  
KOHANE-  
CHAN.

Give me  
back my  
camera!

LET'S GET  
ONE OF YOU  
TOGETHER  
WITH AN-  
CHAN AND  
OTOHIKO-  
KUN, TOO!

...IORI  
REALLY  
HAS  
BEEN  
HAVING  
FUN.

BUT HE  
WAS  
TRYING  
TO ACT  
LIKE HE  
WASN'T?

COME  
ON!

I'VE GOT  
AN IDEA!  
WE CAN  
DO ONE  
IN FRONT  
OF THE TV  
TOWER!

OH,  
HEY!



SEAFOOD BOWLS! THEY WERE GREAT. HOW ABOUT YOU GUYS?

SO...

OH, THAT SOUNDS GOOD!

WE HAD RAMEN.



HEY, YUZUHARA-SAN.

WHAT DID YOU HAVE FOR DINNER?



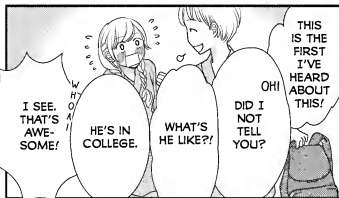
Y'KNOW, I'VE ACTUALLY SORT OF BEEN WONDERING.

HUH?!

I ALREADY HAVE A BOY-FRIEND.

WHAT? NO, NO, NO!

AN-CHAN, ARE YOU AND OTOHIKOKUN...CLOSE?



I SEE. THAT'S AWESOME!

HE'S IN COLLEGE.

WHAT'S HE LIKE?!

DID I NOT TELL YOU?

THIS IS THE FIRST I'VE HEARD ABOUT THIS!

OH!



WOW!

YEAH. AND OTOHIKOKUN, TOO.

...DID IORI-KUN EAT WITH YOU GUYS?

THAT MUST'VE BEEN NICE! I'M JEALOUS!



GETTING PINNED DOWN

Y-

AND...

...ASSAULTED.

STUFF LIKE THAT.

YOU COULD SAY THAT...

WHAT'S IT LIKE BEING HIS BUNNY?

IT'S REALLY NOT THAT BIG A DEAL

OH, NO...

YOU'RE IORI-KUN'S BUNNY!

I THINK YOU'RE THE AWESOME ONE, YUZUHARA-SAN.

INTRIGUED.

WHAT KIND OF STUFF DOES HE DO TO YOU?

IS HE AS PASSIONATE AS THEY SAY?

N-NOPE...

HEY, HI-MIKO-SAN MAY HAVE KISSED ME, BUT IORI DIDN'T!

IT'S THE TRUTH...

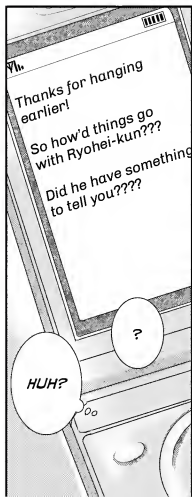
YOU'RE SERIOUSLY NOT LYING?!

WHAAAAAT?!

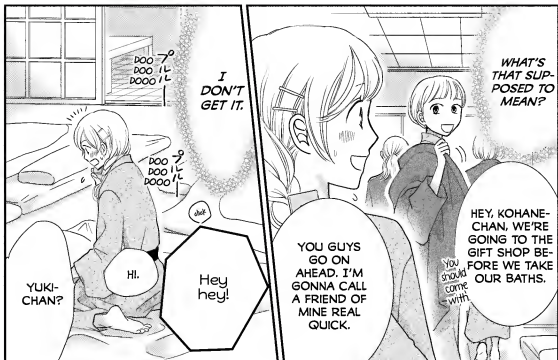
NO WAY! HE DOESN'T EVEN KISS YOU?!

...BUT ALL THOSE RUMORS ABOUT SURRENDERING YOUR BODY TO HIM AND STUFF...

...ARE NOTHING BUT RUMORS.









...the  
same  
girl I  
used  
to.

WAS  
HE...

WAIT...

WHAT?

Did he,  
like...

...give you  
any hints  
or any-  
thing?

...TALKING  
ABOUT...

...ME?



After  
all, I  
guess  
I still  
like...

KA

THINK

THINK



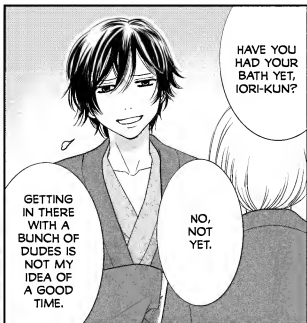
IORI-KUN!

HEY, AN-CHAN.

WOW!  
YOU'RE  
ROCKING  
THAT YU-  
KATA!

SHE'S IN THE  
ROOM. SAID  
SHE WAS  
CALLING A  
FRIEND.

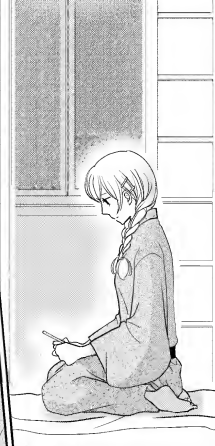
I DON'T  
SEE KO-  
HANE WITH  
YOU GUYS.  
WHERE IS  
SHE?





You must be...

...pretty devoted to her.



...Yeah.

AND...

I hope she gets the message.



THERE'S NO DOUBT ABOUT IT!  
I WAS A TOTAL JERK TO HIM!

I'M SUCH AN IDIOT!

...RYOHEI-KUN WAS SMILING.

AGG-GGGH!

YOU  
ARE THE  
WORST.



I MIGHT'VE...

...HURT RYOHEI-  
KUN'S FEELINGS.

~~~~~

INDEED.

I'M THE
WORST!

I'M SO
STUPID...

YOU
THINK
I'M ALL
TALK,
HUH?

YOU THINK
YOU CAN
GO AROUND
MAKING A
FOOL OF ME
BEHIND MY
BACK.

IORI...





Uh, this is weird

...

I DIDN'T
REALIZE
HOW
RYOHEI-
KUN FELT,

SO I WAS
A JERK
TO HIM.
I'M THE
WORST.

OOOH...

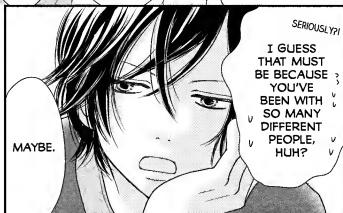


SIGH
はぁ...

I'M A
FAILURE
AS A
WOMAN.

I'D LIKE
TO KNOW
HOW YOU
PLAN ON
MAKING
UP FOR-

IT
MAKES
NO DIFFER-
ENCE.



MAYBE.

SERIOUSLY?!

I GUESS
THAT MUST
BE BECAUSE
YOU'VE
BEEN WITH
SO MANY
DIFFERENT
PEOPLE,
HUH?



WAIT!

SO HE
LIKED
YOU, AF-
TER ALL,
HUH?

I
SEE.

BEATS ME.
I COULD
JUST TELL
BY LOOK-
ING.

HOW
DID YOU
KNOW?!



What?!

YOU CAN
BE A DITZ,
A WEIRDO,
AND A LITTLE
SLOW.

I MEAN,
YOU RE-
ALLY ARE
UGLY.



NONE OF
THAT STUFF
KEPT RYOHEI
FROM LIKING
YOU.

BUT...

...I THINK
YOU'RE
FINE JUST
THE WAY
YOU ARE.



AND PER-
SONALLY, I
THINK YOUR
DITZINESS...



HE COM-
PLIMENTED
ME...

SO...

...JUST
LEAVE
THE REST
TO ME.

I'M
GLAD...

...IS THE
BEST
THING
ABOUT
YOU.



WHAT YOU
LACK...

...IS
EXPERI-
ENCE.



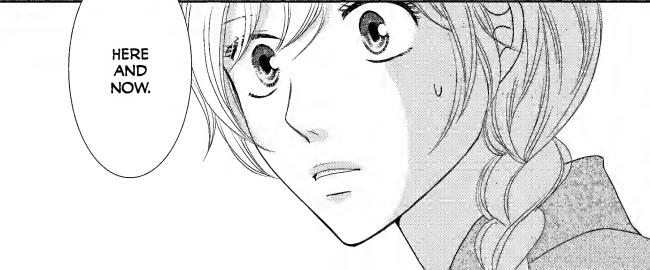
COME
AGAIN?



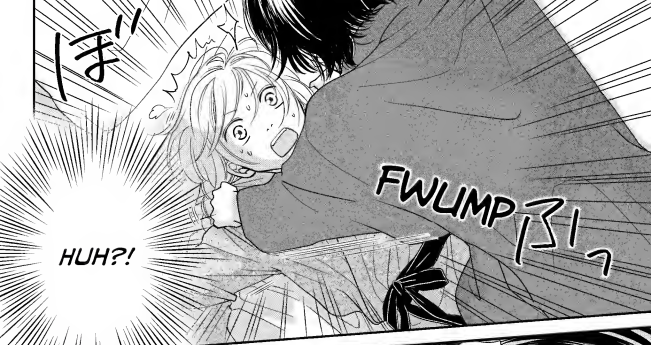
BUT
I'LL FIX
THAT
FOR
YOU.

WHAT
ARE YOU
TALKING
ABOUT?

WH-



HERE
AND
NOW.



HUH?!

FWLUMP BU



JERK
GAAA-AAH!

BUT THE
OTHERS
WILL BE
COMING
BACK
SOON!

YOU
CAN'T BE
SERIOUS!

LET'S
GIVE
'EM A
SHOW.

PER-
FECT.



GRAB
OH, NO
YOU
DON'T.



HEY!

UH!

WE'RE
DOING IT
NOW.

I DON'T
THINK I
NEED AN
EXPERIENCE
RIGHT THIS
SECOND!





WE
CAN'T
DO
THIS!

NO
NO
NO
NO
NO!

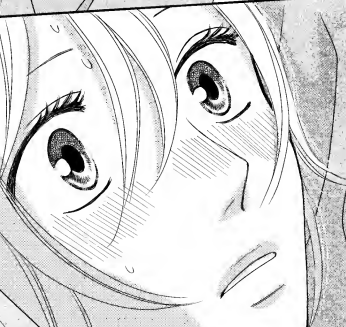
はっ
FWIP



NOOOO!

YOU'RE
ABOUT
TO LEARN
FIRST-
HAND...

...THAT I'M
A LOT MORE
THAN JUST
TALK.







NGH...

I CAN'T
PUT MY
FINGER
ON IT.



BUT THIS
SEEMS
SOMEHOW...

...DIFFERENT...

...THAN THE
TIME WITH
HIMIKO-SAN.



MM!

EVEN
THOUGH
THEY'RE
THE SAME
PERSON.

OH, I
GET IT.

THEY SMELL
DIFFERENT.

IORI...

pant

...DAMN.

...SMELLS...

I'M
BREATHING
FUNNY.

pant

WHAT'S
GOING
ON?

...LIKE A
BOY.

pant

カ // SLIDE

ラッ

I FEEL
LIKE I'M
ABOUT...

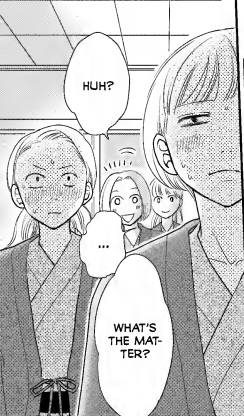
Y'KNOW
THAT
HOKKAIDO
MASCOT,
THE
MOSS
BALL
WITH THE
BONER?

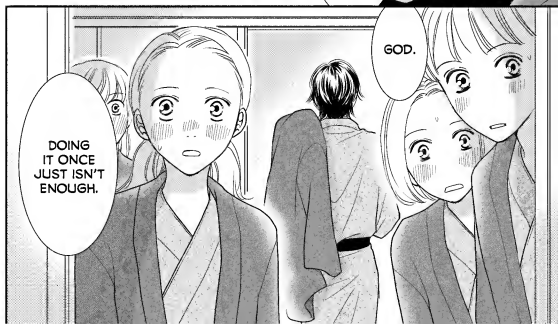
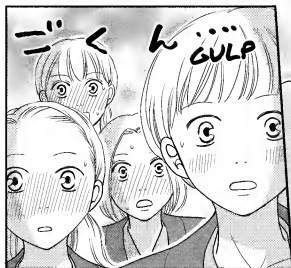
KOHANE-
CHAAAN!

...TO MAKE
A WEIRD
NOISE.

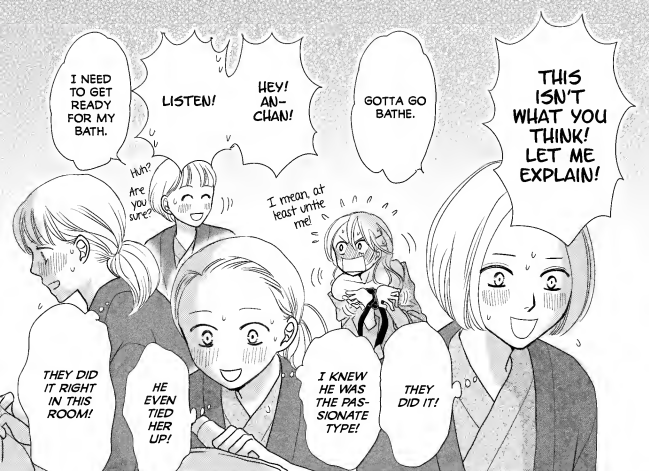
I GOT A
KEYCHAIN-













EVERYONE'S
ALREADY
TAKEN OFF,
YOU GUYS.

OH, HEY,
OTOHIKO-
KUN!

WHAT'S
THE MAT-
TER?

KOHANE-
CHAAAAN!



Y'KNOW, I
EXPLAINED
WHAT WAS
REALLY GO-
ING ON TO
EVERYONE.

okay?

SOB

SOB



SHE'S
BEEN
FEELING
A LITTLE
DOWN
SINCE
LAST
NIGHT.

I GUESS
I'LL LEAVE
HER TO
YOU THEN.

OKAY,
...

I'LL
TALK
TO
HER.

YOU
CAN
GO ON
AHEAD.



ALL RIGHT,
KOHANE-
CHAN. I'LL
BE SEEING
YOU IN A
BIT.

RIGHT...

Sorry.



NO
THANKS...
JUST GO
WITHOUT
ME, AN-
CHAN.

YEAH! LET'S
GET A RIDE
IN A RICK-
SHAW TO
CATCH UP!

Y-

MARU-
YAMA-
SAN.



WHAT I'M
MOST
DEPRESSED
ABOUT...

S-

WHAT'S THE
MATTER?
WHAT HAPPENED
LAST NIGHT?

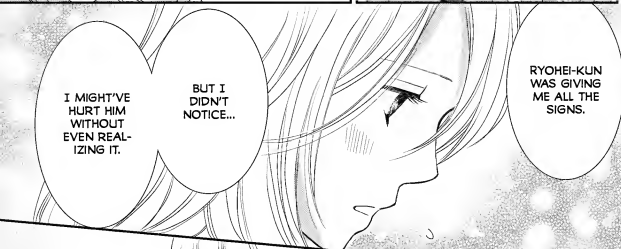
STUFF.

HMM.

...SORT OF
HAS TO DO
WITH
RYOHEI-
KUN.

IT REALLY
SUCKS
TO FIND
OUT HOW
AWFUL I
AM.

HOW
SO?



RYOHEI-KUN
WAS GIVING
ME ALL THE
SIGNS.

BUT I
DIDN'T
NOTICE...

I MIGHT'VE
HURT HIM
WITHOUT
EVEN REAL-
IZING IT.



AND IORI
TOLD ME I
LACK EX-
PERIENCE,
TOO.

I GUESS I
JUST DON'T
KNOW ANY-
THING ABOUT
ROMANCE.

I DON'T
GET HOW IT
WORKS AT
ALL.



YOU PROBABLY JUST DIDN'T HAVE ANY SPARE ENERGY TO THINK ABOUT THAT KIND OF THING.

YOU'VE ALWAYS GOT SO MUCH ON YOUR PLATE AT HOME.



BUT...

SO I DON'T THINK YOU NEED TO BEAT YOURSELF UP OVER IT.

...YOU DIDN'T MEAN TO HURT HIM,



I KNOW YOU CAN.

I'M NOT SO SURE I CAN DO THAT...



...I CAN TRY.

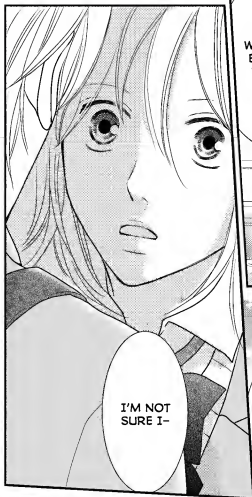
I GUESS...



YOU'LL HAVE PLENTY OF CHANCES TO GAIN EXPERIENCE IN THE FUTURE.

AND AS YOU DO, YOU'LL LEARN TO PICK UP ON WHAT PEOPLE ARE TRYING TO TELL YOU.





WOULD YOU
BE WILLING
TO TRUST
THEM?

WELL...

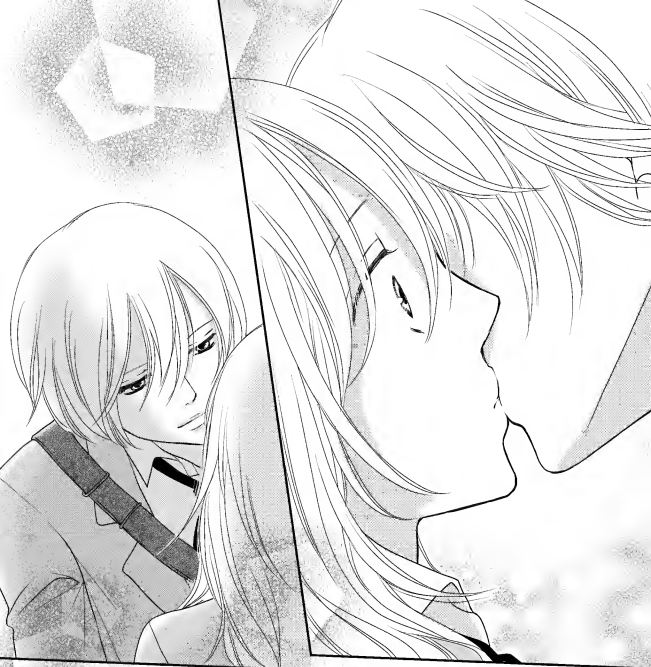
...WHAT IF
SOMEONE
GAVE YOU
A REALLY
OBVIOUS
SIGN?

WHAT
DO YOU
MEAN?

WAIT,
HUH?

?





SOMETHING
LIKE THAT.

OH, YOU
KNOW.



CHAPTER 11, FIN

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My Idea of Love

Beauty Bunny.



SHE WAS

MY FIRST
KISS...

...WAS
WITH
"HIMIKO-
SAN."

FORCED.

The same person.

...WAS
LAST
NIGHT.

AND THEN
MY FIRST
KISS WITH
IORI AS
HIMSELF...

AND
THEN...

SHE WAS
PINNED DOWN
AND FORCED
AGAIN.

God, it's just one
first kiss after
another...

...TODAY...

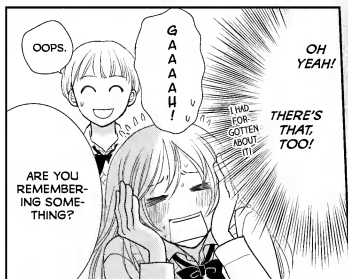
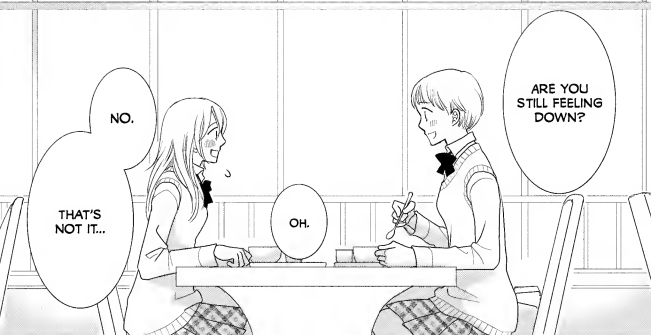
She was taken
by surprise.

UH-
OH.

I THINK MY
BRAIN IS
SHORT-CIR-
CUITING.

HEY,
KOHANE-
CHAN.

...OTOHIKO-
KUN KISSED
ME.



WHY
DON'T
YOU JUST
TELL HIM
HOW
YOU FEEL
THEN?

YOU TWO
WILL HAVE
THE CHANCE
TO TALK
AGAIN
SOMEDAY.

AN-
CHAN...

ONCE
HE WAS
ACTUALLY
HANGING
OUT WITH
YOU,

HE MUST
HAVE GOTTEN
AFRAID THAT
HE'D BE
IMPOSING
ON YOU BY
TELLING YOU
ABOUT HIS
CRUSH.

MAYBE
THAT'S WHY
HE DIDN'T
SAY ANY-
THING.

Y'KNOW,
THOUGH...
I GUESS
YOU LEARN
A LOT HAV-
ING A BOY-
FRIEND,
HUH?

I WANNA HAVE
AS MUCH FUN
AS WE CAN
TODAY, SINCE
WE'LL BE
GOING HOME
TOMORROW.

YEAH.

REALLY?

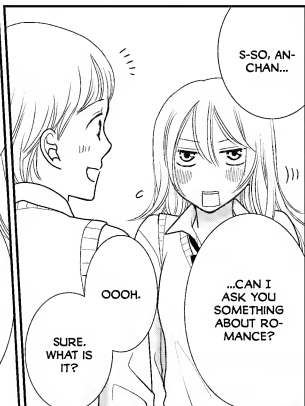
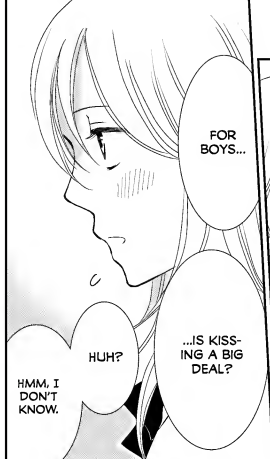
THANKS. THAT
MAKES ME
FEEL A LITTLE
BETTER.

OH,
YOU!

IT
REALLY
HELPS.

YOU JUST
GIVE SUCH
MATURE
ADVICE,
AN-CHAN.

GOOD.



*MAYBE I
SHOULDN'T
TAKE THAT
KIND OF
THING TOO
SERIOUSLY.*



ANYWAY,
LET'S
CHECK
OUT THE
BLOWN
GLASS
NEXT.

I-

I SEE...

okay~

That
makes
sense..



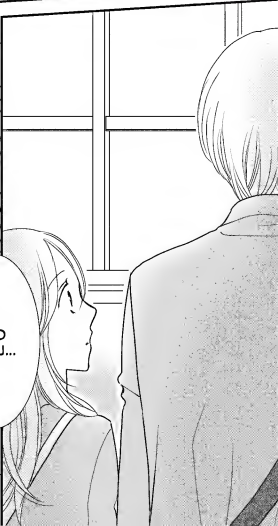
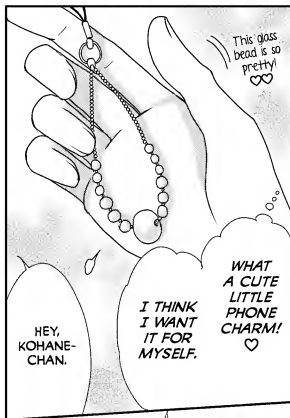
*I GUESS I
REALLY DO
LACK EXPE-
RIENCE.*

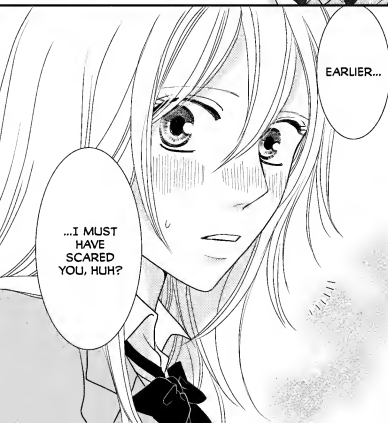
I'LL BE
HERE
LOOKING
AROUND.

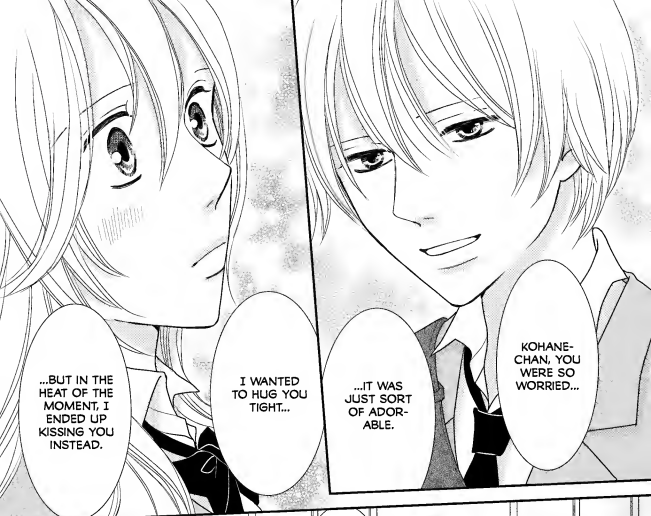
OKAY.

I'M GONNA
GO TAKE
A LOOK
AT WHAT
THIS OTHER
PLACE HAS.

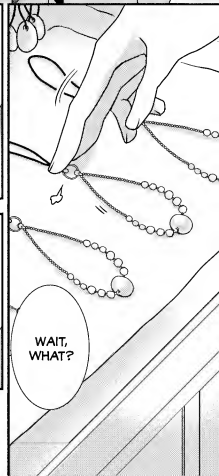
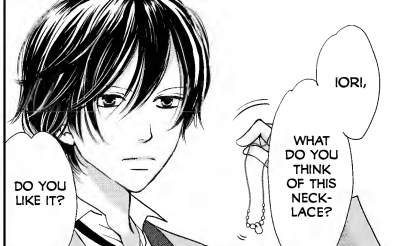














IF YOU
LIKE IT,

I'M GET-
TING THE
SECOND
NECK-
LACE...

...FOR
HIMIKO-
SAN.

THEN I'M
SURE SHE
WILL, TOO.



JUST HOW
CLOSE ARE
YOU TWO,
ANYWAY?

IT
SOUNDS
LIKE YOU
MIGHT AS
WELL GET
MARRIED
ALREADY.

NOPE.



YOU...

OH MY
GOD...

BESIDES,
MIKA-
CHAN LIKES
BLUE, SO
IT WORKS
OUT.



SINCE
THAT
BRACELET
I GAVE
HER WAS
PINK...

...MAY-
BE I
SHOULD
GO WITH
THAT
COLOR
AGAIN.









I KISS
HER ONE
TOO
MANY
TIMES...

...AND THE
UGLY GIRL
CAN'T GET
HER HEAD
OUT OF THE
CLOUDS.

!!



YOU JUST
CAN'T GET
ENOUGH
OF ME,
CAN YOU?

DON'T GET
THE WRONG
IDEA ABOUT
WHAT'S
GOING ON
BETWEEN
US.

I NEVER
SAID ANY-
THING LIKE
THAT!

SERI-
OUSLY,
WHAT A
PAIN.

GOD..

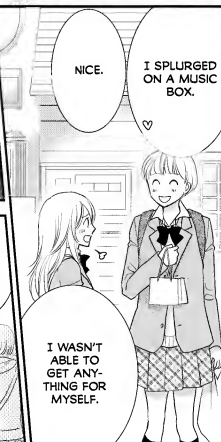
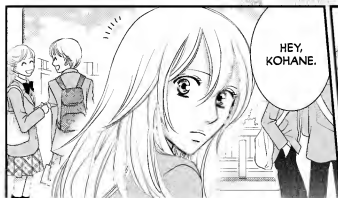
IS IT LIKE I
THOUGHT?

ARE THEY
JUST TEAS-
ING ME?

WHAT IN THE
WORLD ARE
YOU GUYS
THINKING?

IORI...

OTOHIKO-
KUN...







...IT'S NOT LIKE YOU CAN HELP IT. I THINK I CAN MANAGE TO GRIN AND BEAR IT FOR YOUR SAKE.

...WITH AN UGLY GIRL LIKE LITTLE OL' ME?

ARE YOU SURE YOU WANT YOUR PICTURE TAKEN...

GOD DAMN IT.

WELL...



A-



Vaggh!

ANYWAY, TO CUT TO THE CHASE, I'M GLAD I CHOSE HOKKAIDO.

OKAY, I GET IT.

IF YOU WEREN'T-

IF YOU WEREN'T THIS UGLY, I WOULDN'T HAVE COME TO HOKKAIDO.

IF YOU WEREN'T THIS UGLY, I NEVER WOULD'VE KNOWN SUCH SPLENDID WEATHER.



BUT, Y'KNOW...

...I'M GLAD YOU'RE AS UGLY AS YOU ARE.

COME AGAIN?



THAT'S
NOT
WHAT I
MEAN.

IT'S
BEAUTIFUL.
THE AIR'S
CLEAN-

SEE? I
TOLD
YOU!

THE FOOD'S
DELICIOUS.



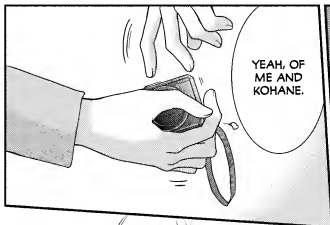
HEY,
OTO-
HIKO.

OH.



I'M GLAD
I CHOSE
HOKKAIDO...

...BE-
CAUSE
YOU'RE
HERE.









OH
BOY.

JUST LIKE I
THOUGHT.
THERE'S
NO CURE
FOR UGLY.

It's
really
too bad

ugg-
ggh!



GET
READY.

SNAP



THANKS,
MAN.



I ALMOST
FORGOT.

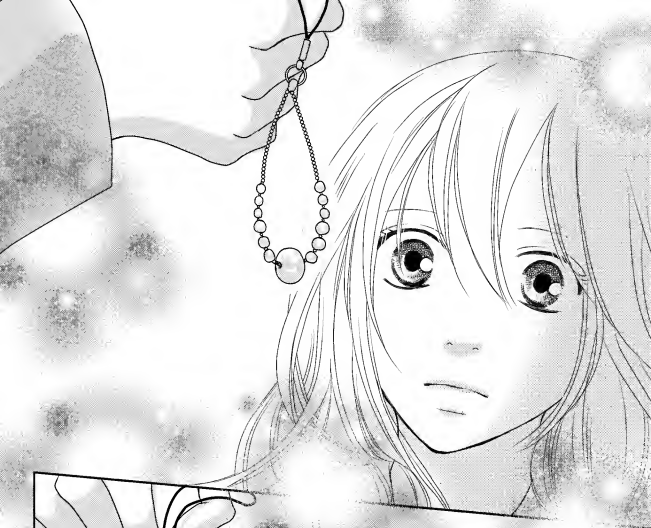
?



WHY ARE YOU
LIKE THAT?
YOU'RE THE ONE
WHO WANTED
TO TAKE A PIC-
TURE WITH ME!

WAIT A
SECOND.

HEY.



OH...



THIS
IS FOR
YOU.



...AND I'M
NOT GONNA
SEND YOU
AN INVOICE
OR ANY-
THING.

GOD.

SO RELAX.

HE'S ARRO-
GANT AND
STUCK-UP.

HE'S SAR-
CASTIC.

IORI
ALWAYS
KNOWS
JUST WHAT
TO SAY TO
PISS ME
OFF.

*IT'S NOT
FAIR.*

*AND YET,
SOME-
TIMES...*

*...HE SHOWS
ME THIS
OTHER SIDE
OF HIMSELF.*

*AND
NOW...*



WE'RE
FINALLY
HEADED
HOME,
HUH?

YAAAAWN.

...THE
FINAL DAY
OF OUR
FIELD
TRIP...

...HAS
ARRIVED.



OH
YEAH?

THAT'S
AN-CHAN'S
SPOT.

WHAT
ARE YOU
DOING IN
THE SEAT
NEXT TO
MINE?



...

WAIT.

HEY.





YOU'RE
GOING TO
SLEEP?

!!

THAT
WAS
FAST!



WHAT'S
WITH
THIS?

DON'T
EVEN TRY
TO WAKE
ME.

HUH?

I'M GO-
ING TO
SLEEP.



REALLY!

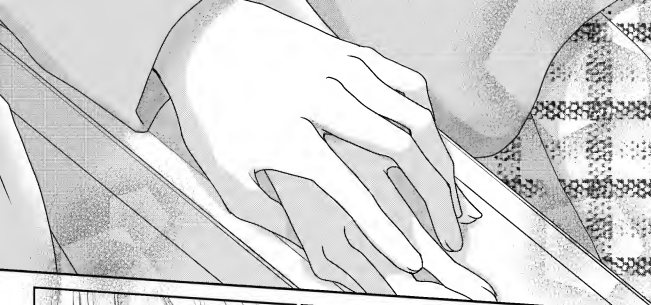
HE JUST
DOES
WHAT-
EVER HE
WANTS-



WHAT'S
HIS PRO-
BLEM?!

Not that
I care if
he sleeps.

JUST
LEAVE
HIM BE.



...I'M
REALLY
GLAD...

...WE GOT
TO GO ON
THIS FIELD
TRIP TO-
GETHER.



IT'S A
GOOD
THING I
CHOSE
HOKKAID-
DO.



Y'KNOW,
KOHANE-
CHAN...



...BUT THAT
DOESN'T MEAN I
WASN'T SERIOUS
ABOUT IT.

ALSO...

...I KNOW I
SAID I KISSED
YOU IN THE
HEAT OF THE
MOMENT...



TAKE IT
AS...

I'D LIKE
YOU TO
REMEM-
BER IT.

...A
SIGN
FROM
ME TO
YOU.



SHE'S
COMING
HOME
TODAY.

YEP.

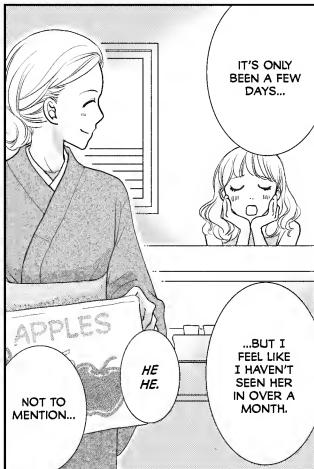


SHE TOLD
ME NOT
TO BOTHER
BECAUSE
THE TRAIN
TICKETS
WOULD
COST TOO
MUCH.

...WHEN I
TOLD HER
I WANTED
TO GO
MEET HER
AT THE
AIRPORT
'CAUSE I
MISS HER
SO BAD,

And I
already got
the day
off and
everything.

KOHANE-CHAN
REALLY HAS
HER HEAD ON
STRAIGHT.

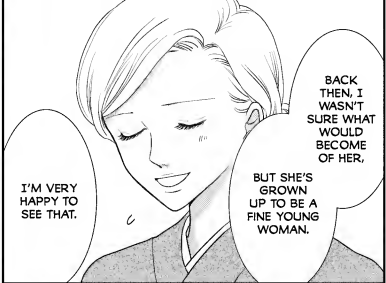


IT'S ONLY
BEEN A FEW
DAYS...

NOT TO
MENTION...

HE
HE.

...BUT I
FEEL LIKE
I HAVEN'T
SEEN HER
IN OVER A
MONTH.



RAISING A CHILD IS VERY DIFFERENT FROM TAKING CARE OF A CAT OR DOG, YOU KNOW.

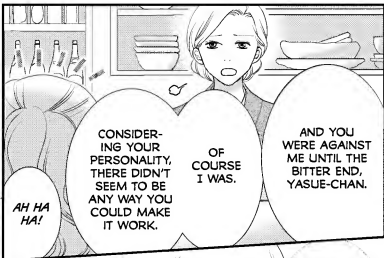
I'M VERY HAPPY TO SEE THAT.

BACK THEN, I WASN'T SURE WHAT WOULD BECOME OF HER,

BUT SHE'S GROWN UP TO BE A FINE YOUNG WOMAN.



ESPECIALLY...



CONSIDERING YOUR PERSONALITY, THERE DIDN'T SEEM TO BE ANY WAY YOU COULD MAKE IT WORK.

OF COURSE I WAS.

AND YOU WERE AGAINST ME UNTIL THE BITTER END, YASUE-CHAN.

AH HA HA!

MY IDEA OF LOVE...

...HAS BEEN DEFINED BY MIKA-CHAN.

...CONSIDERING THAT YOU'RE NOT THE ONE WHO GAVE BIRTH TO HER.

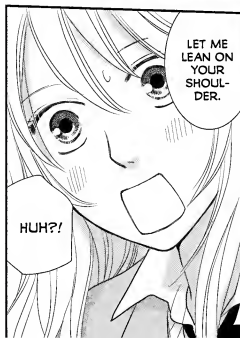


BOYS AND
ROMANCE...

...ARE RE-
ALLY NOT
THINGS I'VE
GIVEN MUCH
THOUGHT TO.
YET HERE I
AM.

KOHANE.

When is
he gonna
let go?



LET ME
LEAN ON
YOUR
SHOUL-
DER.

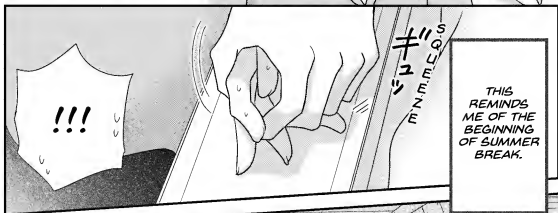
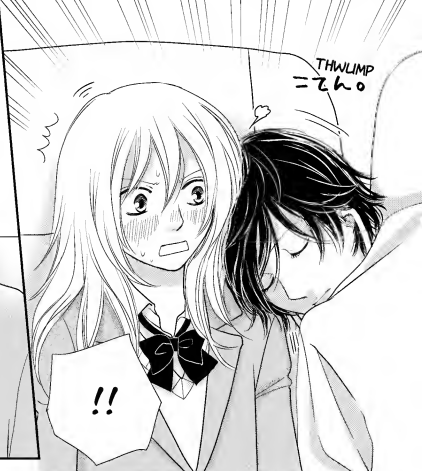
HUH?!



GOD, MY
NECK
HURTS.

WHAT?!

WH-



THIS
REMINDS
ME OF THE
BEGINNING
OF SUMMER
BREAK.



...IS A
LITTLE
DIFFERENT.



BUT THE
FEELING I'M
GETTING
THIS TIME...



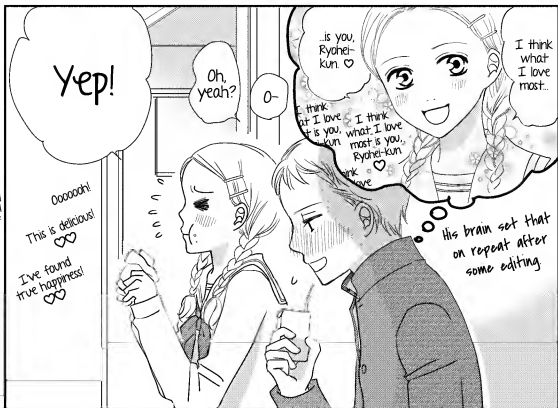
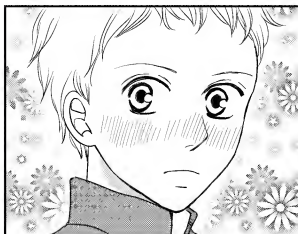
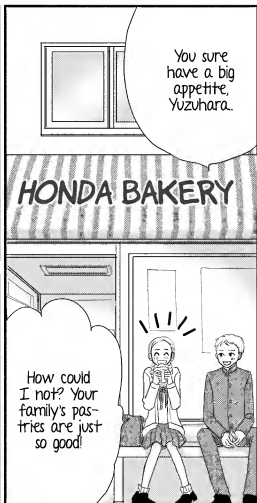
THERE ARE
THINGS I'M
NOT ENTIRELY
AWARE OF...

THAT'S THE
FEELING I'M
GETTING NOW.

...THAT ARE
BEGINNING
TO MOVE
AND TAKE
SHAPE.

TO BE CONTINUED IN VOLUME FOUR!

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In the next
volume...

DO YET MORE

SHOCKING
DEVELOPMENTS AWAIT...?



I'M GLAD
I CHOSE
HOKKAIDO...

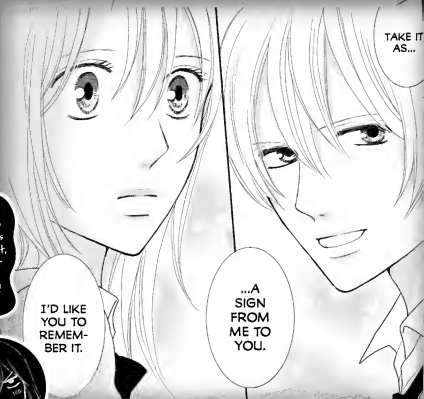
...BE-
CAUSE
YOU'RE
HERE.

HEY,
OTOHI-
KO.

OH.

IORI OR OTOHIKO?

IT'S ONE OR
THE OTHER,
AND KOHANE CAN'T
MAKE UP HER MIND.



TAKE IT
AS...

...A
SIGN
FROM
ME TO
YOU.

I'D LIKE
YOU TO
REMEM-
BER IT.

I'm so
anxious
about it,
I can't
even
sleep!



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Translation Notes

Jun and Hotaru from that movie, page 40

[40.5]

Kohane is referring to two major characters from the 1981 Japanese television series *Kita no Kuni Kara (From the North Country)*. This show is about a family who moves from Tokyo to live out in the wilderness of Hokkaido.

Korokke buns, page 56

[56.5]

A korokke is a small, patty-shaped, deep-fried Japanese dish based on the French croquette.

Elf, page 79

[79.5]

Iori's original comment that Ryohei was probably a "bear of a man" was a reference to one of Hokkaido's major traditional crafts, wooden carvings of bears. Here, when Iori says that Ryohei actually seemed more like an "elf," he's referring to the *koro-pok-kuru*. The koro-pok-kuru are little people spoken of in the oral tradition of the Ainu, the indigenous people of Hokkaido. They say the koro-pok-kuru helped the Ainu out by gathering and making things for them, until one day a young man tried to catch a glimpse of one, at which point they left forever.

The moss ball with the boner, page 106

[106.1]

An is referring to a character called Marimokkori. The word *marimo* refers to a type of ball-shaped algae that grows in some of Hokkaido's lakes, and *mokkori* means bulge. This character is, as the name suggests, an anthropomorphized marimo with a bulge in his pants.

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